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Firemen's 'spy unit' shut despite saving millions



AN UNDERCOVER unit which exposed a multi-million pound fraud by London firemen, involving bogus or inflated injury compensation claims, has been wound up despite protests from the chief fire officer.

Enquiries by The Times have established that the unit was effectively disbanded in March even though it had saved the London Fire and Civil Defence Authority almost £2.2 million in three years. The decision was taken in spite of commendations of its work by the Audit Commission and Her Majesty's Inspectorate of

crats and one independent. It was they who decided to disband the investigation unit against the advice of the chief fire officer, Gerald Clarkson, who argued that using fire officers to look into bogus or exaggerated claims had proved more effective than hiring private

The authority voted to post-pone, indefinitely, consideration of the unit's future. Officers who left its ranks were not replaced and the last member left last year. No explanation has been given for the unit's demise.

Cameron Geddes, Labour chairman of the authority's personnel councillors nominated by the 32 been disbanded. "It was a matter of principle that we did not feel it was

Conservative, four Liberal Demo- any part of a fire fighter's function to spy on fellow fire fighters." He disputed the savings, saying those were based on estimates of the total value of claims lodged. Lawyers claimed "at the top of the scale" for a particular injury and more than half of all personal injury cases ended in the award of a lower figure without any imputation of

> The unit, known as the Special Projects Group, was set up in July 1986 by senior officers. Protests by the Fire Brigades Union led to its existence being brought to the attention of the authority. An attempt to regularise its position by seeking authority from the policy and resources committee for its continued existence failed in

gradually run down. Official documents show that 432 cases involving claims totalling more than £30 million were referred to the unit for investigation between July 1986 and its demise earlier this year. The unit fully investigated 37 of those and discovered only one to be entirely well-founded. The claims in these cases were cut from a total £3 million to £800,000.

The unit's existence was referred to in this year's annual report of the Audit Commission. Howard Davies, controller of the commission, said: "Our report attempted to alert local authorities to the problem of fraud and draw attention to good practice. This investigation unit struck us as being an example of such good practice." Mr

setting up the unit. I did so having spoken to the district auditor and having discussed it with the former chief officer. We advised the union, the members, the Metropolitan Police and Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Fire Services. I thought it was the proper thing to do given the rate of claims we were receiving, some of which we had reason to believe were doubtful. Clearly it had to be done professionally. It does not sit well with the British public which does not like things which smack of a police state and snooping. However the

unit was very effective." In a formal report on the unit, debated by members of the authority in March 1989 Mr Clarkson

enquiry agents who charge from £250 a day and have proved less able to produce evidence. It is from the work of the unit, rather than enquiry agents, that the largest reductions in damages have been achieved.

"Investigatory and surveillance work has not been undertaken not sit easily with most members and officers. However the authority is facing significant numbers of claims which at best are exaggerated and at worst fraudulent. The unpleasant facts of surveillance must therefore be weighed against the potential future loss to the ratepayer."

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Heath secures Saddam pledge to free hostages

From Nicholas Beeston in baghdad

Hussein of Iraq yesterday promised to release possibly scores of British hostages in Iraq and Ku-wait, Edward Heath, the former prime-minister,

Speaking after three tomary green military uni-hours of talks with the form, shaking hands with Mr Iraqi leader, Mr Heath said Heath, who was described by that details of the release the newscaster as "his exwould be disclosed today cellency", a title normally and that he planned to return home with the freed Britons tomorrow.

Although the release is unconditional, the former prime minister's very presence at the presidential palace in Bagdhad was regarded as a propaganda coup by the Iraqi leadership, which has been isolated since it invaded Kuwait in August Mr Heath said that he believed not enough efforts. were being made on the diplomatic front to find a

Cuts follow capping

An investigation by The Times of councils that have had their local authority grants capped has revealed sweeping cuts, many affecting the elderly and disabled. They mean fewer libraries and museums, higher charges for swimming pools and sports centres, higher bus fares and fewer grants for voluntary

Police check

A national survey every three months of public satisfaction with police work is being proposed by the Home Office, chief constables and the police inspectorate

Israel stabbings

A Palestinian Muslim fundamentalist, aged 19, stabbed three Israelis to death in Jerusalem and police believed he may have been trying to avenge the Temple Mount ... Page 10

Mahathir win₋

Mahathir Mohamad, prime minister of Malaysia, has won a third term with a simple majority in the country's parliamentary election.... Page 13

Treasury errors

The Treasury's "economic model" of the British economy consistently underestimated inflation during the second half of the 1980s and also made wrong predictions about trade figures, the Treasury has admitted..... Page 23

Senna's title

Ayrton Senna captured the Formula One championship as controversy once again plagued the Japanese grand prix. In a near repeat of last year, Senna and Prost tangled at the first bend, forcing both cut of the race_____Page 38

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PRESIDENT Saddam Thatcher She is determined director of the Common Cold that no talks can be held with Iraq until its forces are with-

> Iraqi television led its evening news with the meeting, Saddam, wearing a dark business suit instead of his cus-

reserved for the Iraqi leader. France and the Soviet Union ainst the Western military build-up in the Gulf, but devoted the longest time to this weekend's poll tax demonstrations in London.

ous in Ital and Knwait Some 300 are being detained as innan shields at some 30 strategic axes across the country, about 600 are still in hiding in Kuwait and about 450 are in Iraq having been

Details of the number to be freed was still being negotiated yesterday between Mr Heath's yesizinay between Mr Heath's aides and Iraqi officials. Before the talks, Mr-Heath, in conjunction with the British embassy, drew up lists of the most deserving cases, particu-larly 53 sick and elderly hostages, and more than 100 passengers of a British Airways flight who were captured in transit at Kuwait airport

when Iraq invaded. . "The president assured me that some British hostages will be returning to Britain as a result of my visit," Mr Heath said. "I explained to him that these were particular groups of people who I felt ought to return to their homes, and that retaining them in Iraq created ill feeling in Britain and did not help to reach a diplomatic solution. He was sympathetic to that. I was concerned with

those with a particular reason for being released." Trapped Britons said last night they were encouraged by the news but were not planning to celebrate until details.

were announced. "I am on the list of sick people," said Ronald Eccles.

drawn from Kuwait. showing a smiling President yet. If Mr Heath gets anybody

> chances of leaving disappear, and I will only be satisfied once my husband and I are on the plane," she said.

Mr Heath did not criticise Iraq for its invasion of Kuwait or the alleged atrocities of the though he refused to be drawn on his impressions of President Saddam he said that he was very impressed with the fraqi leadership's detailed knowledge of world affairs, a possible reference to Tariq

anneared to be reinforcing

■ LONDON: Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, said that making any concession to President Saddam to withdraw from Kuwait would be very dangerous for the firmre."

alliance "holds firm" on Iraq withdrawing unconditionally from Kuwait, he said on the BBC radio programme "The World this Weekend".

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ASIL Nadir, head of Polly 100 short-term lenders who Peck International, has flown are expected to demand repayto Northern Cyprus in an ment of £50 million, which

attempt to gain access to funds the company cannot afford. PPI is threatened

from the island's banks to save The lenders will meet comhis fruit, trading and electron- pany executives today or tomorrow.

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the University of Wales in Cardiff, who suffers from

been given 18 months to live, changes by the Iraqis.
"We have been hopeful in the past only to see our

At a news conference in Baghdad, Mr Heath avoided any outright criticism of the Bagdhad regime, but said that during President Saddam had given no indication of compromise on his annexation of

Aziz, the foreign minister. The former prime minister emphasised the need for dialogue and diplomacy to counter the threat of war and moves by France and the Soviet Union for a compromise solution.

"I hope that the British will respond to the view that we should do everything possible through diplomatic means to find a solution," he said.

It was important that the

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Face-to-face: Mr Heath negotiating for the freedom of British hostages with President Saddam Hussein in Beyindad's presidential palace yearering

Ministers face fight on public sector pay claim 'Take government to court' councils told By Our Local Government Correspondent

By RICHARD FORD AND KEVIN EASON

battle with tens of thousands of public sector workers after signalling last night that it will resist demands to match above-inflation wage in- but in recent weeks have

Unions are using the rises of wage deals have run into 12 per cent and over won by double figures in leading staff at companies like Jaguar industrial companies. and Ford as their benchmark

would be a more appropriate measure for inflation is the 7 basis for negotiations. Ministers last night stressed that there was no pay ceiling substantial across the board

The government's determfor the winter pay round. That ination to keep public sector is based on inflation of about wage increases below price 10.9 per cent. The government rises is shown in its evidence says, however, that an under- to the review body which lying inflation rate of 7 per recommends pay rises for cent, which excludes the poll nurses, midwives and health

Beirut warlord and family murdered

From Juan Carlos Gumucio in Baabda, Lebanon

esterday assassinated a memwarlord clans and a leading supporter of General Michel Aoun and his family in a Christian suburb of Beirut patrolled by the Lebanese and the Syrian armies.

The killing of Dany Cha-moun, his wife and two young sons raised fears of more violence one week after the defeat of General Aoun planted hopes for a settlement in Lebanon.

Mr Chamoun, the 56-yearold son of the late president Camille Chamoun, was the

GUNMEN dressed in military leader of the National Liberal fatigues and armed with si- Party whose staunch oppolencer-fitted automatic pistols sition to Syria's involvement in Lebanon and his old links ber of one of Lebanon's great with Israel made him numerous enemies among pro-Damascus forces in Lebanon. But his challenge to the

Christian "Lebanese Forces" militia also proved very dangerous since July 7, 1980, when he escaped an attempt on his life during a bloody Phalangist assault on his party strongholds in the coastal town of Safra, north of Beirut. Continued on page 22, col 1

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THE government faces a pay tax and mortgage repayments, visitors. It says that the better per cent underlying rate and that it does "not consider that rises would be appropriate". It creases in private companies. clamoured for restraint as also asks the review body to Unions are using the rises of wage deals have run into take account of the knock on effect of its proposals on other

wage negotiations. Defending the govern-ment's tough stance towards pay for health service workers, Michael Howard, the employment secretary, said: "That is an area where it is necessary to give a particular guide. In that area 100 the principle of cash limited bud-

gets applies." In an interview on BBC 1's On the Record, Mr Howard added: "If excessive wage increases are awarded, the consequence will be un-employment. That is a cardi-

nal message."

The scale of the government's task in trying to persuade people to moderate wage demands is shown by an opinion poll published today. In spite of 11 years of ministerial exhortation on the need to defeat inflation, four out of ten people said it did not really matter if inflation was high, as long as wages rose at the same rate.

The Mori poll also found that 77 per cent expected inflation to be higher than five per cent for at least the next five years and that 82 per cent thought prices would rise no matter what the government Continued on page 22, col 5

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Carbon-copy crash reopens motor racing feud

tomorrow."



From JOE JOSEPH

IN AN uncanny re-run of last year's Japanese Grand Prix, the world motorracing championship was decided yes-terday by a crash at Suzuka between the Brazilian driver, Ayrton Senna and the Frenchman, Alain Prost, thus reviving the bitter fend between the two.

The crashes were almost identical, but the outcome the opposite. In both Senna drove into Prost, trying to force his way through at a corner. Last year's incident left Senna disqualified and Prost the champion for the third time. This year's. which occurred at the first corner, presented Senna with his second title and left Prost too far behind on championship points to overtake him in the one remaining race. The two drivers had ended an 18-

month silence with a much-trampeted

reconciliation at Monza last month. Now they have reverted to their old bruising ways. Pract yesterday called Senna's behaviour "disgusting". He has completely destroyed every-

thing again," said Prost. "I hope that everyone can see he has not been honest ... I thought he was one of the human race and fair on the track. But he was not. He just did not brake and he did it on purpose. With Senna, Formula-One has become a real war. He is ready to risk death for the title." After securing the pole position on Saturday, Senna had prophesied: "I'm sure I'll have the second championship of my career, maybe before the race finishes

Yesterday he claimed that the track officials were partly to blame because they had refused his request for the pole position to be switched to the outside, which would have given him a clearer

line to the first corner. "We got to the corner very close together. There was a gap. I went for the gap. He unfortunately closed the door and I could not avoid the collision ... He knows I always go for a gap. As usual, he has his point of view. But he has tried to destroy me and he will not I know what I can do and I don't give a damn what he says."

After careering into Prost at Suzuka last year, Senna said: "That was the only place where I could overtake and somebody who should not have been there just closed the door and that was that." Prost, as prophetic as his tormemor, complained of Senna at the time: "He is driving too hard. If you have two drivers like us then there will

be a crash every time." For the record, the race was won by Senna's team-mate, Nelson Piquet.

COUNCILS are being advised authorities, including those in to take the government to Greater London, Merseyside, court if spending limits lead to more cuts in education spending, according to a confidential letter from Stephen Byers, the leader of the Labour- million John MacGregor, educontrolled Association of

Metropolitan Authorities. The letter tells the education authorities to go to the High Court if charge-capping and spending limits prevent spending on the improvement of schools. Mr Byers has told

Greater Manchester, West Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, Type and Wear and the West Midlands, that the extra £700 cation secretary, has won from the Treasury will not be enough if spending curbs prevent local authorities from also using their own funds.

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Britain's entry to ERM stymies Labour's line on Europe

ON EUROPE, Labour's fox has been shot. Until the chancellor's dramatic move on the eve of the Conservative conference, what differentiated Labour and Conservative approaches to the European Community was the Labour party's open enthusiasm for joining the exchange-rate mechanism of the European monetary system.

That was, however, on conditions that included an EC commitment to growth, a strengthening of regional support and special collaboration between EC central banks "to combat speculation and take account of the fact that sterling is a heavily traded inter-national currency", as the party's policy document, Looking to the Future, says.

Labour's turnabout on the EC is one of the more remarkable features of the party's transformation. It used to deride the common market as a capitalist club and, for the 1983 election, pledged Britain's withdrawal. Neil Kinnock said

then that he "wanted out" of the EC, but he became convinced that Britain's future lay in Europe before becoming party leader later that year and has since worked to bring his party round.

He has made clear in interviews however, that he is not enamoured of any federalist Europe or closer economic and monetary union that would restrict the budget-making capacities of British governments. Labour, too, is opposed to the single European currency and an independent European central bank.

With Britain now in the ERM, however, it will be hard for Labour to present to electors a distinctive line on the EC that buttresses the party's claim to be more wholeheartedly European than the Tories. Party spokesmen are now edging across to a softer line on the single currency and the central bank. Last week, Chris Smith, a shadow treasury spokesman, said that Labour

Labour used to deride the Common Market as a capitalist club. Today, however, Neil Kinnock says that Britain's future lies in Europe. Robin Oakley reports on the new European dimension in Labour's policies

did not have any hard and fast lines against a central bank if it was democratically accountable.

So what else is distinctive in Labour's approach? George Robertson, the party's front bench spokesman on Europe, says that Labour would improve democratic accountability in Europe by giving the European parliament powers (at present restricted to the commission) to institute legislation as well as to comment on proposals by the commission and the Council of Ministers. The party would wish to see the European parliament given the right to a

"second reading" on decisions by the Council of Ministers on social and environmental matters, as well as on single European market proposals, so complementing (not replacing) the work of national parliaments.

On Community enlargement, Mr Robertson says: "We mean it, Mrs Thatcher doesn't." Labour would support Austria's application for EC membership and any further applications from EFTA countries, as well as those from eastern European states as they became democratic market economies. There is a sharp difference of

emphasis with the present government on regional support. Labour wants the creation of the single European market balanced by what Mr Robertson calls "reasonably ambitious" measures of regional support for countries on the periphery, such as Scotland and

Mr Robertson chairs a Labour front bench committee which is presently examining problems and priorities for the second half of 1992, when Britain has the chance to set the European agenda during its next six month term in the EC presidency. At the moment, it is looking at ways in which Britain's experience in regional policy and health and safety legislation can lead to development of the social charter and regional policies.

Mr Robertson says that Labour is happy to accept the social charter, which is being resisted all the way by the Thatcher government, and the leg-

islative programme required to im-plement its measures. The party is prepared to sacrifice its long-maintained devotion to the closed shop "in order to get the good bits".

The differences between the parties are clear enough, then. What we do not see at the moment are the differences within the Labour party on Europe. Some 80 Labour MPs are technically still members of the Labour common market safeguards committee, a rallying point for Euro-sceptics. They include nine members of Mr Kinnock's shadow

The party's switch in European policy has been dictated more by electoral necessity than universal overnight conversion. In government, Labour would be split between Euro-fanatics, Euro-sceptics and a large body of mainstreamers bumbling along at a pace too slow to suit M Delors and most of

Consumers' panel wins access to food talks

By DAVID YOUNG

THE new Consumer Food Panel has won concessions that will allow its members access to previously secret government committees.

Panel members, who met last week in Norwich and who were told instantly of the discovery by government food specialists that vitamin A could be harmful to pregnant women, are likely to be invited to sit in as confidential observers on special committees that study pesticides, veterinary products and novel

The panel was set up by the agriculture, food and fisheries ministry after criticism of its handling of past food scan-dals, such as the outbreaks of listeria in soft cheese and salmonella in eggs, and worries about bovine spongiform encephalopathy, "mad cow disease", as well as protests against food irradiation and chemical sprays.

The concession comes in the wake of pressure from Leather, the representative of cal pesticides. the National Consumer Council. She suggested that the panel could be in danger of becoming nothing more than a shops. The panel was set up by public relations exercise or an John Gummer, the agriculture impotent talking shop. Mrs minister, who sought to avoid Leather is now convinced that progress is being made. "We luckless predecessor over food were told of the vitamin A contamination controversies.

issue as soon as the agriculture ministry were made aware of the findings of its specialists. That would have been un-

"It now seems that some of our suggestions are being listened to and there is much more openness between the panel and agriculture ministry

The panel wants to set up a register of the interests of those sitting on all special government advisory com-mittees but that can be done only after talks with all other government departments.

It is also working to tighten the rules on what is meant by "commercial confidentiality so that food producers can no longer use the blanket term to refuse to give information which affects consumers.

The panel was designed to be powerful enough to change government policy. It has nine members chosen by consumer protection groups and has a say in future food policies members, notably Suzi such as irradiation and chemi-

Members are able to complain directly to the government about problems in the the problems faced by his

from The Mouth of The Lour.



OPPORTUNITIES

THOUGH WE should most vehemently deny sordid accusations of jobbism, there are, we must confess, certain professional personnel with whom we would not wish Aberlour Single Malt Whisky to associate itself. Politicians, primarily, players of association football, double-glazing salesmen, estate agents, but, pre-eminent amongst all these, those alien beings who inhabit the pink-tinted world of advertising and marketing.

Only the other day, the Aberlour Distillery was compelled to brace itself for a visitation from two of these august gentlemen, the one glorying in the title of copywriter, the other in that of art director.

Fortunately, our distillery manager, Mr. Ian Mitchell, forty years in harness at Aberlour itself following father and grandfather before him, had espied them in the nick of time from his eyric overlooking the distillery gates and secreted his prize bottles of Aberlour well out of the sight of prying eyes. And with good reason. For one of these fellows had had 🥻 the temerity to enter the sacred temenos sporting a well-preened ponytail and was, therefore, naturally 🗟 assumed to be female, while his companion was bedecked ? in what can only be described as a pair of welder's 🗟 goggles, presumably to protect his failing eyesight from 🄏 the ferocious glare of his cerise and peppermint velvet suit. As any connoisseur will doubtless be aware, Aberlour is matured in a mixture of the finest sherry and bourbon casks. So, for emergencies of this nature, Mr. Mitchell keeps a bottle of cheap sweet sherry on the side and, needless to say, this brace of preening peacocks 🎉 were each offered a glass and sent swiftly on their way 🌋

> A BERLOUP SINGLE SPEYSIDE MALT



Catwalking: a model displays the latest designs from Lacroix in Paris yesterday.

The designer has simplified his style and softened his curvy cut

£70m town centre plan approved

By RONALD FAUX

he city centre.

A swathe of gap sites, uncherished 1960s development and a fire-damaged market hall are to go, to be replaced by buildings designed to blend with Lancaster's Georgian architecture and to historic county town.

Since the scheme was chosen uncertainty over planning approval has given way to questions about the power of the high street to produce a return to justify the investment. Lancaster has the per-mission, but some doubt that the financial climate will allow hope to be transformed into

occupied shops and offices. Confirming the city coun-cil's plans to demolish all but the facade of one listed building, close ancient alleyways, move the old market hall and purchase compulsorily prop- to serve a wider area.

THE environment depart- erties within the boundary of ment has given consent for a the plan, the report by Michael £70 million redevelopment in Cross, the environment dep-Lancaster, ending months of artment inspector, points out uncertainty over the future of, that there is no evidence of a firm commitment by a national retail store to provide an

anchor for the development. He agreed that the size of the proposal and its effect on the city centre's historic character had been well tested and generally justified, but his report made clear that the performance of some retail stores may raise a doubt in the mind of Chris Patten, the environment secretary.

Martin Widden, of the Lan caster civic society, said that the development had been planned when the retail trade was flourishing, but now businesses were in difficulty. "It will be hard to go ahead with a scheme of this

Paul Mellor, of the Laneaster chamber of commerce trade and industry, said that the city needed its new centre

Jews complain at board member

By RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS REPORTER

The Times last month.

uties, said the views expressed said that the honorary officers also called for self-defence of Professor Alderman's neighbourhood watch groups constituency, the Clapton to combat attacks on the Synagogue, had also dissoci- Jewish community.

LEADERS of the Jewish ated themselves from his community in Britain yes- views. In the published letter, terday dissociated themselves Professor Alderman referred from the views of a senior to an article on the Guinness member of the Board of trial, in which three of the Deputies of British Jews in defendents were Jews. He said response to a letter he wrote to that he was astounded at the extent to which his British co-Dr Lionel Kopelowitz, pres- religionists behave, as if the ident of the Board of Dep- normal rules of justice "rules which they themselves expect by Geoffrey Alderman, a to be applied by the non-London university professor Jewish world - do not apply of history: "cause harm to within Jewish communities".

British Jewry". Dr Kopelowitz Professor Alderman has Professor Alderman has

Frederick Williams, aged 32, who was serving 15 years for murder and rape, has escaped from Gloucester prison after being allowed out to play in a rock band. Brian O'Deli, aged 26, who is serving five years for robbery, also disappeared during a performance by the group. Inside Out, at a home for physically handicapped children at Minchinhampton, in Gloucestershire.

Hallowe'en

warning on

the occult

Next week's Hallowe'en cele-

brations might seem innocu-

ous but could be a doorway to

the occult, evangelical Chris-

tian leaders from throughout

Europe said at a conference in Eastbourne, East Sussex.

The growth of the hallow-

e'en "trick and treat" practice

fostered fear in the elderly and

promoted selfish and un-acceptable values in the

young. The church had to

warn against the dangers of

even superficial involvement

in occult practices, the Coun-

cil of the European Evangeli-

Killer escapes

cal Alliance said.

Exam protest

University lecturers have said that they will refuse to mark they win an above-inflation pay deal. The Association of University Teachers approved preparation of a package of industrial action which would include one-day strikes. It said members' pay had fallen up to 20 per cent behind that of comparable professionals.

Lacroix mellows his bright

By Liz Smith.

CHRISTIAN Lacroix, the designer who lit up Paris fashion with his love of bright colours and clash of vibrant prints, is toning down his ideas.

Now that the rest of the fashion business is following his lead, with strident colour and print served up at every show over the weekend, the trendsetting designer has simplified his style and softened the curvy cut that is his

At his show yesterday, held in his colourful couture house in the Faubourg St Honore, he paraded both his ready-towear line and the more expen-sive Lacroix luxe collection. In both the Lacroix lines one senses his need to prove that he can make simple, wearable ciothes.

"I am tired of gimmicks" he said. The proportion are simpler and new.

It is a sensible reaction to the world of fashion in retailing. In the three years since he established his fashion house, M. Lacroix has often faced adverse reaction to his extravaganzas and clashes of colour. The first Lacroix fragance line was launched earlier this year.

Called C'est la Vie, its lack of lack of success can be shrugged off in the carefree spirit of its name. That is life in the fashion business today and it faces hard times.

The new streamlined Lacroix line includes a group of simple silk crepe dresses and a group of suits in one solid colour, albeit bright. There are longer blazers to wear over short dresses as well as his favourite low-scooped

jackets nipped in at the waist. But his electric sense of colour is not tamed, with fuchsia pink mixed with red and mauve, lime and brown ending up in the one outfit.

One group of prints is called Hommage to the Marquis, dedicated to the maestro of pattern, who is presently enjoying a revival, the floren-tine marchese Emilio Pucci.

Child benefit 'to be frozen next year'

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

fourth year in succession. Tony Newton, the social

security secretary fought in the annual public spending round for an increase in the benefit which is at present £7.25p a week per child. However, the Treasury ruled out an increase because it had already added £2 billion to Mr Newton's departmental budget.

Opposition MPs and some Conservative backbenchers will attack the decision when Mr Newton makes his announcement during a Commons statement this week in which he will give details of increases in a range of benefits including family credit and housing benefit.

Robin Squire, Conservative MP for Hornchurch, said yesterday that the decision not to uprate child benefit, which at present costs £4.5 billion a year, was a mistake. "It goes to the heart of what we mean by assistance for the family. We ought to be recognizing that people with children need some assistance, not to be

out children. However, Mr Newton's 52.8 billion departmental budget faces a large bill next April to meet the automatic uprating of many social security benefits linked to last month's inflation rate of 10.9

per cent.

treated exactly as those with-

The last Conservative election manifesto promised to maintain child benefit, but its finuse is the subject of debat within the party as ministers and MPs consider alternatives for inclusion in the party's next manifesto.

Those who support continuation of the benefit have argued that it should be central to the government's family policy and that it is the one benefit that goes direct to the mother. Critics have argued that it gives money to rich as well poor families but have been unable to produce a feasible way of directing it at prehensive

CHILD benefit is expected to the money. Others have sugbe frozen next year for the gested the return of child tax allowances, a scheme believed to have attracted Mrs Thatcher's attention, but which the Treasury says would be too

expensive. Others have argued for a two tier system with an in-crease in benefit for families with children under five while leaving it frozen for others. Critics say that that proposal is over simplistic and it could be argued that it is when children are over five that families most need help.

Fran Bennett, director of the Child Poverty Action group, said yesterday that if child benefit is frozen for a fourth year, families with children will see through the government's fine words about family policy.

Peaceful protests by disabled

By RUTH GLEDHILL

THOUSANDS of disabled people protested peacefully against disability benefits this weekend. Fears of disruption by militants at three meeting in Glasgow, Manchester and London were not realised.

Problems with access and transport kept many more away. Physical problems included the wheelchair ramp into Trafalgar Square which took people into an area cut off by a barrier.

The Disability Consortium, the umbrella group for disability organ-isations, arranged the rallies. More than 5,000 people turned out in the largest day of action taken to date by disabled people, the organisers said. The consortium is to meet later this week to look at a "rolling programme of action" to campaign for a comdisability those families most in need of payment.

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In Derbyshire, this year's budget has been cut by £45 million

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Doncaster district council has trimmed £5.5 million from its

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cut next year. A day care centre

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ingles has been implementing cuts of £7 million as a result of

capping and next year there is the possibility of cutting back by £25 million. Threatened services in-

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Although the Labour council is

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AN INVESTIGATION by The Times of capped councils has discovered sweeping cuts, many affecting the elderly and disabled. Reductions in services mean fewer. libraries and museums, increased charges for swimming pools and sports centres, higher bus fares and fewer grants for voluntary

Almost all the councils are expected to impose further cuts in 1991/92 as a result of being capped this year. One of the most forceful messages from finance departments is that capping must be avoided. Councils are therefore likely to operate a self-imposed capping system to avoid a repeat of this year's financial chaos. They will, however, have to draw a fine line between cuts and providing the essential services that are part of their statutory duty.

The government is expected to announce next year's capping criteria in three weeks' time and most strategists believe they will be as stringent as this year, throwing councils into a round of proposed cuts.

The treasurer in Avon has already suggested cuts of up to £50 million next year, partly because of the financial adjustments made to cope with this year's reduced budget. The county council made cuts of £27.8 million, £15 million of which came from adjustments that cannot be made again,

Building and road maintenance programmes have been cut by £6.6 million and budgets for day care and residential provision for those with learning difficulties have been frozen. Civic amenity sites are now closed on Sundays, the budget for library materials has been cut by £200,000, charges have been increased and the building of libraries postponed.

The council has reduced enforcement of trading standards to save money. Social services have been given no cash for extrachild protection teams, there have been reductions in extra staff for children's homes and budgets for day care for the elderly and

'Great onus on leader writers'

The Sun.

the first time in a judgment on a case. Ken Brown, director of the council, said the authority be-stowed upon leader writers gave them a special duty to be accurate.

The Sun had claimed in a leading article that most homeless 'dossers' slept rough by personal choice, as local councils were legally bound to provide temporary shelter for them, and said the public was being "black-mailed" by "professional weep-ers" into feeling guilty.

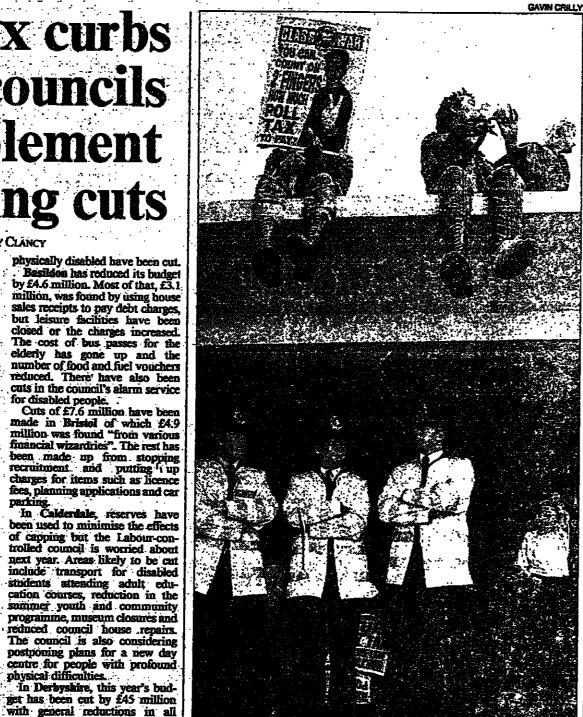
After a complaint from the Housing Campaign for Single People, the council ruled that the article was inaccurate, as local authorities were obliged only to provide shelter for priority groups, such as the aged and disabled.

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In a separate case, the council ruled that a *News of the World* report on a hospital visit by Joe Ashton, Labour MP for Bassetlaw. was an "unjustifiable intrusion" into his privacy. The report suggesting Mr Ashton was being treated by nurses whose behaviour he had earlier criticised "rested on unsubstantiated assertions". • The Guild of British Newspaper

Editors has protested to David Waddington, the home secretary, about proposed changes to laws on journalism. Ian Beales, editor of the Western Daily Press and chairman of the guild's par-liamentary and legal committee, has told Mr Waddington that his organisation is against any statutory regulations on newspapers.





Viewpoints: anti-poll tax demonstrators give themselves a grandstand view from the roof of a shelter of the main body of the rally which gathered peacefully in Brockwell Park, south London, early on Saturday. Later in the day, however, police grappled with protesters on the streets of Brixton after 2,000 marchers left the main rally and confronted police outside Brixton prison

Ninety-one charged over poll tax riot By Jamie Dettmer NINETY-one anti-poll tax demonstrators were charged yesterday in connection with the riot in Brixton, south London, on Saturday in which 45 police officers were injured and shops damaged. A police report detailing how the not flared after a peaceful march and rally will be delivered today to David Waddington, the

home secretary, who is likely to face stiff questioning from MPs about the re-appearance of antipoll tax violence. The looting and rioting came after a crowd of 2,000 left the main body of the march at 4.30pm and confronted police outside Brixton prison, where four people are

serving sentences for their part in the Trafalgar Square anti-poll tax riot in March. Until then, the protest organ-ised by the All Britain Anti-Poll Tax Federation which attracted 10,000 people, had been peaceful. Police had given permission for a picket outside the prison but were

surprised by the numbers leaving

the rally.

Marching under a banner reading "Class War Rent-A-Mob On Tour" several hundred tried to break down metal railings which separated them from police. Demonstrators allege that the police were heavy-handed and they reject police claims that the protest was taken over by anarchists. Reports from bystanders, however, blamed the three hours of fighting on a minority of trouble-makers.

Scotland Yard said that police had come under a barrage of missiles before they moved against the crowd. Three petrol bombs were thrown at police and four unused petrol bombs were found in a garden opposite the

prison yesterday.

There were 105 arrests and six civilians injured. Of those arrested, 66 per cent are unemployed. 40 per cent from outside London and 88 per cent are under 30.

clude school meals, day centres, home helps, and education for those with learning difficulties. Cuts of £9.2 million have been made in the London Borough of Lambeth of which £8.8 million is a direct result of capping. The council expects to collect overall only 85 per cent of the poll tax that

for next year's finances.

centre closed.

NEWSPAPER leader writers have a special responsibility to get their in upholding a complaint against

Rochdale decided in August to Emphasising the importance of such editorial responsibility for reduce its budget by £12 million over two years to cope with capping. Two libraries have been closed, charges increased at leisure centres and opening hours reduced, and 200 jobs lost. St Helens is considering cuts of between £9 and £13 million next

year. The council has already reduced spending by £3.9 million because of capping. Sending out new bills has cost a further £439,000. Nalgo, the local government union, said that it was worried about the decentralisation of the council's young people's resource team which it fears could undermine juvenile court work and create problems for the proba-

The week ahead

David Waddington, the home secretary, launches national fire safety week. Terry Marsh, the former boxer, goes on trial at the Central Criminal Court for attempted murder. The Princess Royal faces speeding charges at Stow-on-the-Wold magistrates' court lan Gow's memorial service is held at Si Margaret's, Westminster.

The President of Italy arrives for a state visit. CND protests against against sweeping cuts in essential services, the closure of a children's home is being considered and the presence of a nuclear warship in London.

leisure centre opening hours could be reduced and Brixton leisure Wednesday retary, launches a children's road safety campaign and attends a conference on ecology-friendly freight transport. The Queen and the President of Italy visit the Lion of Venice exhibition at the

British museum. Thursday The Princess of Wales attends a service at St Paul's cathedral marking the 50th anniversary of the blitz. Bill Wyman, of the

Rolling Stones, signs books in Oxford Street. Ian Botham, the cricketer, expected in Ipswich at the end of a

fund-raising walk from Aberdeen. Ulster Unionists hold a conference in Newcastle, Co Down.

Clocks go back.

£15m centre aims to halt breast cancer

By Thomson Prentice

A £15 MILLION research centre with the sole aim of eradicating breast cancer is to be established in a British hospital.

The centre, claimed to be the world's first of its kind, has won he support of leading specialists. It will promote the best research into the disease and back the most promising new projects, organisers said yesterday. The unit is to be based at the

Royal Marsden Hospital in Surrey, alongside the Institute of Cancer Research, which together form the largest cancer treatment complex in Europe. Plans involve a £10 million building, new equipment worth £1 million, and a £4 million investment in long-term research. Building work could begin in 1993.

About 15,000 women in Britain die from breast cancer each year, with about 24,000 new cases diagnosed annually. The mortality rate has not improved in the last 30 years in spite of advances in diagnosis and treatment.

A charity called BreakThrough has been formed in London to raise finance for the centre. The institute and the Cancer Research Campaign intends to support it with £3.6 million. Big companies, trusts and foundations are being asked to help. "The aim is to

produce a programme with a longterm commitment to finding a cure," Barry Gusterson, professor of pathology at the institute, and director designate of the centre, said vesterday.

• Five years of medical research into muscle disorders including muscular dystrophy was lost yesterday in a fire which caused damage estimated at more than £500,000 to a wing at Hammersmith Hospital in west London (Peter Victor writes).

Police are treating the blaze as suspicious. It broke out in the early hours of yesterday morning in the hospital's J wing.

Research into muscle disorders, led by Professor Victor Dubowitz and funded by the Muscular Dystrophy Group, was carried out in a laboratory on the top floor of the wing, Paul Herbage, the hospital's general manager, said: "The whole area has been destroyed. Five years of research has been lost," He said that there had been two minor arson attempts last weekend in the accident

department. The damaged laboratory was the only Jerry Lewis muscle research centre outside the United States. It was built in 1974 with a grant from the Muscular Dystrophy Association of America.

Bomb case appeal unlikely this year

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

THE new appeal by the Birmingham Six is not expected to be heard until the start of next year at the earliest, according to police and legal sources yesterday. Neither police enquiries nor legal investigations into a possible mis-carriage of justice will be complete before Christmas.

The third appeal on behalf of the six since their convictions in 1975 for the worst IRA bombing in mainland Britain was launched when David Waddington, the weeks ago that he was sending the case back to the appeal court. He acted after receiving an interim report from a Devon and Corn-



Waddington: sent Birmingham Six case to the appeal court

wall police team looking into the case which suggested that notes of an interview with one of the six might not all have been made at

the same time. Initial hopes of a speedy resolution of a case that has haunted the legal establishment and the Home Office for the past five years now seem unlikely.

The hearing would be speeded up if Allan Green, QC, the Director of Public Prosecutions, decided not to contest the appeal. He ing the final Devon and Cornwall police report and taking advice from a team of counsel that is examining all the evidence in the case. The other chance of a swift hearing would lie in the discovery of dramatic and overwhelming

evidence supporting the appeal.

The Devon and Cornwall police team, led by Chief Supt John Essiery, began work in March after lawyers for the six submitted fresh evidence to the Home Office. In August, the team, which is the largest unit formed to look at a specific case of potential injustice, sent the home secretary an interim report raising new evidence on a police record.

Tests using a new system, called electro-static principle screening, were conducted. The new evidence, according to a lawyer for four of the six, raises fresh questions over former Detective Supt George Reade, who was in charge of the original case.

The Devon and Cornwall police team is now looking at the evidence that originally prompted the investigation to be reopened. A full final report will go to the DPP in London early next year.
In the meantime, a team of four

counsel led by Graham Boal, senior Treasury counsel, is examining all the evidence, going back to the original case in 1975. Their final advice to the DPP will not be ready until this task is finished and the police have reported. The imprisoned men would

soon be eligible for parole. Earlier this year, they let it be known that they would not apply and would only leave prison if their names

Dead parrots prove no laughing matter for breeders WHILE the Liberal Democrat ain's parrot breeders, some of parrots," Anglian Water, said. Mr winter if they do not get urgent through their hibernation which

"parrot" twitched into life at the Eastbourne by-election last week, dozens of other members of the psittacidae bird family were dying inexplicably around the country. Parrots, some worth up to £1,000, have been dying at an alarming rate, victims, it is believed, of a mystery virus that

affects their digestive systems and prevents them absorbing food.

Mrs Thatcher's likening of the Liberal Democrat's new logo, a bird in flight, to Monty Python's dead parrot at the Tory party conference in Bournemouth provoked little hilarity among Brit-

whom are facing losses of more than £100,000. Breeders are anxious about the prospects for the parrot in Britain. "You can be feeding an apparently quite healthy bird and two hours later it has keeled over," Mike Liddel-Taylor, a commercial breeder,

The latest theory is that tap water is in some way responsible and scientists in East Anglia, the worst affected region, have been asked for a chemical analysis of the water supply. "It could be that a substance in the water, chlorine for instance, does not agree with

Liddel-Taylor, who runs the Parrot Park Trading Company at Beeston, Norfolk, said: "Everyone is losing birds. Many are species which are extremely rare in captivity, never mind in the wild."

Autopsies on several have shown that the disease breaks down enzymes in the birds' guts and prevents them from absorbing food. Mr Liddel-Taylor has lost ten birds worth £10,000 in the past five weeks. The Veterinary Investigation Service at Cambridge has also been asked to help. Many of Britain's hedgehogs will die from starvation this

help, conservationists said yesterday (Peter Victor writes). Recent hot weather has reduced the number of slugs and worms which make up the the staple diet of hedgehogs seeking to build up their reserves before hibernation.

Nick Bruce, of the Lancashire Trust for Nature Conservation, said that the food shortage could spell disaster. "People have reported hedgehogs turning up in their gardens in the middle of the day, wandering around and looking confused and sick." He appealed for emergency food aid to help the prickly-backed creatures

into line.

will be triggered by the coming cold weather. He said people should leave out a bowl of dog or cat food and some water for the hungry creatures to fatten them up. Milk and bread, however, could upset their stomachs, he "Seventy five per cent of the creatures die in their first year

through getting squashed on the roads or falling through cattle grids," Mr Bruce said. "If the food shortage stops them

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WHAT was supposed to have been the under suspicion. Initially the unit was London Fire Brigade's best kept secret equipped with two fire brigade vans has become a fictionalised feature of London Weekend Television's series, London's Burning, watched by 12

million viewers. The Special Projects Group, set up in July 1986 and disbanded in March, is seen at work on Sunday nights as viewers follow the adventures of a fireman known by his nickname of Technique. The man, who works while on sick leave, is followed and watched by two men who later appear in uniform reporting their findings to a senior officer. The cast refer to them as the

Secret Squirrels.
Viewers have accepted it as fiction but documents seen by The Times make it clear that the character Technique bears a resemblance to the case of a real fireman, Len Howlest, who dropped a £3,000 injury claim after being filmed taking part in a body-building contest while still on sick leave.

Howlett, who was disciplined and resigned, had claimed that an accident at work had left him with a frozen shoulder. A video taken by the unit shows him flexing his clearly unfrozen muscles on stage. The brigade con-firmed that the character was based on a real case, "with allowances for artistic

Members of the Special Projects Unit travelled all over Britain to check on claimants whose alleged injuries came

which were resprayed and fitted with -mirror glass. Still cameras were purchased and video cameras were loaned by the training unit. Later when posters appeared at fire stations warning Brigade Snooper Vans - Checking on You" and giving the registration numbers of the vans, hired vehicles were

substituted. Cases came under suspicion in a variety of ways. In one case a fireman's estranged wife telephoned senior officers to say that he was working in a public house. After investigation his claim of £60,000 was reduced to £2,000. In another a landlady, owed rent by a fireman, disclosed that he had been working for her while allegedly suffering a back injury. His claim of £60,000 was

settled for £500. Members of the unit had to go to great lengths to catch bogus or exaggerated claimants. In one investigation an officer lay buried under leaves on the edge of building site for a day to photograph a fireman who was working

while allegedly sick.

Hostility against the unit grew as rumours of its activities spread but senior officers regarded speculation among the ranks as helpful in deterring possible fraud. Senior firemen accept that inflated claims are increasing and blame the national firemen's strike of November 1977 to January 1978 for a

A firemen's special group has been run down, despite its saving millions of pounds and in the face of the chief fire officer's protest. **Douglas Broom finds** out the secrets of the success of the undercover unit that investigated bogus or inflated injury compensation claims

sea-change in attitudes within fire brigades. Dissatisfaction was expressed in a greater willingness to report sick after minor injuries and that led to a growing realisation of the opportunities

to claim damages In addition it became clear that under the firemen's pension scheme, there were "good" and "bad" times to have an accident which forced a fireman out of the brigade. A fireman with ten years and one day's service qualifies for a pension equivalent to one paid to a man with 20 years' service if he leaves because of an injury classed as "due to service". The unit's investigations showed that this loophole was



Len Howlett filmed in body-building

being exploited. Men who had accidents ten years into their careers either exaggerated their symptoms or waited until they had ten years service before complaining of a relapse. As well as a pension they would then claim for future loss of earnings caused by their

disability Not all the injuries occurred on fire brigade duty. The unit found cases of sporting injuries being claimed as service injuries. In a small but worrying proportion of cases firemen provided bogus witness statements to accidents that never occurred. In one case a fireman with a broken jaw, some of whose colleagues claimed to have

to have suffered his injury in a fight with another fireman.

A measure of the reaction from the the London Fire and Civil Desence Authority to the annual report, which referred to the existence of the special unit, can be gained from the opening of a subsequent report by chief fire officer, Gerald Clarkson, in March of this year in which he wrote: "In view of the strong views expressed by members I considered it inappropriate to continue with arrangements for in-house investigation." Dave Higgs, national officer of the Fire Brigades Union, said: "I must accept that there have been a very small number of fraudulent claims but we cannot and will not condone that kind

"The vast majority of firemen are courageous and dedicated people who protect the public. This union brings cases on behalf of members and it is possible that some people will fool our lawyers and their medical advisers. But we do not condone it. It brings the whole

process into disrepute. The union changed its rules this year to give it the power to reclaim legal costs from any member who pursues a fraudulent claim. Mr Higgs said the union did not approve of the use of covert methods to "snoop" on firemen. "The employer has a statutory right to go to a person's home if they are sick so there is no need for snooping," he said.

witnessed his fall down stairs, was found The union announced in July that it had to have suffered his injury in a fight with won £5,271,473 for its members in compensation claims in 1989, £1 million more than in the previous year Mr. Higgs said that the figures reflected the dangers involved in being a fire fighter and rejected any suggestion that claims were inflated. The "vast majority" of the 8 per cent of claims which failed last year were due to lack of evidence or

contributory negligence, he said. Although the issue of covert surveil lance provoked the political controversy which led to the unit being wound up, the practice is commonly employed by insurance companies and

social security investigators. David McIntosh, a senior partner in Davies Arnold Cooper, London solicitors, who has 25 years experience in personal injury hugation, said; "The use of covert methods is justified because evidence cannot be obtained in any other way if the defendant's solicitor simply said to his opposite number. We believe your chap is cheating, is that correct? he would have time to get his

story straight." Mr McIntosh said most fraudulent claims were "malingerers or exaggerators" although dishonest claims accounted for only a small minority of personal injury cases. "The vast majority of personal injury claims are brought by people who are perfectly genuinely injured and who deserve compensation." he said.

Home Office seeks survey of public outlook on policing

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

A REGULAR survey of pub- the survey would be public satisfaction with police lished Supporters of the plan work is being proposed by the believe that it would provide Home Office, chief constables an alternative to crime figures

held every three months, say that crime figures do not would monitor improvements measure the full range of in the service, special areas police work, are often negative such as domestic violence, and do not reflect everything and make sure that the public gets the policing it wants. The do. racial attacks, rape and street a bipeprint for improvements crime. Indicators of behaviour in policing standards and could then be set up showing if meeting public expectations. the police were responding to

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DeLorean will pay \$7 million

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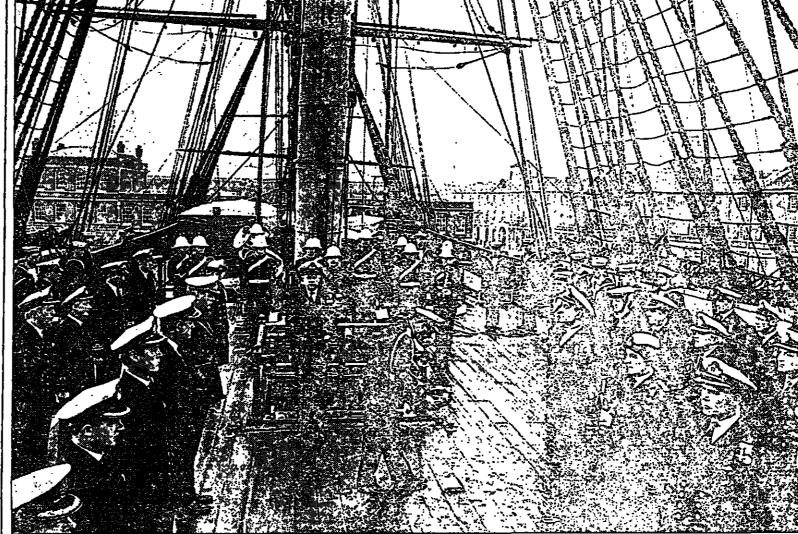
the home secretary, chief constables and representatives of junior ranks at a national seminar. The home secretary is understood to support the

The blueprint includes a code of conduct for officers and guidelines on how commanders can improve behaviour. It is set out in a report from a working party which spent six months studying the service. The recommendations include a call for forces to carry out consumer surveys. They should also publish an analysis of complaints and letters of appreciation.

The working party's report and the seminar, which will be attended by representatives of the Police Complaints Authority and the Commission for Racial Equality as well as police, were inspired by research for an operational policing review. The review, published earlier this year, showed that there was a big gap between what the police

of the Scarman enquiry into the riots in Brixton in 1981. The enquiry called for greater community involvement. They have also failed to use police liaison committees.

The report by the working party, which was led by Mich-ael Hirst, chief constable of Leicestershire, said that if the police did not respond to public needs, the public would withdraw even more from supporting the police.



Naval captains and commanders watching Admiral Sir Jeremy Black laying a wreath on HMS Victory yesterday to commemorate Trafalgar Day. The Commander-in-Chief Naval Home Command placed the tribute where it is thought Nelson fell 185 years 290 in the Battle of Trafalgar

the government to put \$100 and early eighties. Certain thought the public wanted and million (\$51 million) into his sums allegedly never reached what the public really wanted. British receivers after an eightyear battle and says that be car crumbled in scandal. Senior officers believe that in recent years the police have begun to forget the strictures In 1982, Mr DeLorean was

charged after a drugs enquiry. but, despite videotape of him Under an agreement taking delivery of a suitcase in reached in Detroit last week, a a Los Angeles houel, he was acquitted of any offence. The jury accepted that he had been entrapped by over-zealous undercover police. He was also later acquitted of fraud.

British investigators traced funds for the factory to the personal accounts of Mr DeLorean and the late Colin British government to Mr De- Chapman, head of Lotus.

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Shell faces action over new spill

The National Rivers Au-thority yesterday confirmed that Shell, the oil company fined £1 million in February for polluting the Mersey estuary, is facing prosecution again after another spill (Ron-

ald Faux writes). The court action follows the discharge of 500 gallons of light fuel into the river after a pipe burst at the Stanlow refinery in Cheshire Further prosecutions over two other spills, one in July and another last week, are being considered by the rivers authority

In the recent incident. Shell is accused of discharging 200 gallons of waste liquid into the Manchester ship canal The rivers authority said yesterday that it had decided on a prosecution after examining the company's version of events surrounding the incident in September and consultations with its own inspectors.

Shell said it was too early to

comment at this stage.

Horse box fall

A boy aged two was in a serious condition in hospital in Birmingham last night after fracturing his skull when he fell out of a moving horse box on the M6 Andrew Rothwell.
of Congleton. Cheshire, was
travelling with his mother
when he crawled into the back of the van and opened a safety latch on the rear door. He fell out on to the hard shoulder of

Film awards

Kenneth Branagh's epic version of Henry I won two awards from the British Film Institute at the National Film Theatre last night It took the honours for the best film and for technical achievement Roger Bolton a television producer won the book award for his story of the documentary Death on the Rock

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HOME NEWS

By John O'Leary, Higher Education Correspondent PROPERTY deals, cuts in raise millions of pounds from staffing and other economies the sale of the Westfield site in Hampstead. Economies deeducation spending

ernment spending on edu-cation by up to £700 million assessments for local authorinext year could be jeopardised ties. Education ministers fear unless changes are made to that unless controls are loossecretary, has been told.

With two weeks before the Mr MacGregor wants. announcement of next year's spending targets for councils.

the Association of Metropoli- for implementing a policy that tan Authorities' education the government hopes will committee, calls on councils win it votes. to take the government to the High Court if spending limits and charge capping lead to

John MacGregor, the education secretary, has urged the prime minister to support

Reform of A-levels criticised by heads

By DAVID TYTLER EDUCATION EDITOR

THE headmasters of leading independent schools are to reject proposals for A-level reform saying that a move to course-work and a weakening of academic disciplines would undermine the examination

and reduce standards. In evidence being sent to the government's examination advisers, the Headmasters' Conference has said that the proposed reforms would also fail in increasing the number of 16-18 year-olds staying on in full-time education. The heads say that a separate examination bridging the gap between GCSE and A-levels should be introduced for the 80 per cent of students unable

to cope with A- or AS-levels... Reforms suggested, by the Schools' Examination and Assessment Council to improve the sixth form stayingon rate of 25 per cent would bring A-levels more into line with the GCSE, allowing course-work to make up 20 per cent of final marks,

possibly rising to 80 per cent. Vivian Anthony, secretary of the conference, said that this could mean a fall in standards. "The proposals for substantial use of coursework, moderation and records · of achievement may have some benefits but will reduce the objectivity and integrity of the assessment and add substantially to the cost."

☐ Kenneth Baker, Conservative party chairman, has asked all 295 independent schools operating the assisted places scheme to provide lists of parents being helped under the programme. Many heads are refusing, saying it would break the confidentiality be-

tween school and parents. ☐ Education vouchers are to be introduced by Wandsworth council, southwest London, for 1,000 three to five year-olds from September. Each voucher will be worth about £750 a year for use in the council's 60 primary schools.

PROPOSALS to boost gov- changes to the formulas used local authority cash limits, ened next year, education Chris Patten, the environment authorities will be unable to make the improvements that

Although he has already won an extra £700 million Mr Patten is under intense from the Treasury, the impact pressure from ministers and of this money will be blunted local authorities who are if local authorities are unable threatening fresh legal action to match it with their own against the government over finds. Cash limits imposed by curbs on their ability to spend. the environment secretary In a confidential letter to would mean that any new leaders of Labour-controlled spending by councils on education authorities, Stephen Byers, the chairman of them at risk of being capped them at risk of being capped them.

> The prime minister's decision to take up Labour's challenge by making edu-cation a central issue in the coming election campaign has focused attention on the difficulties faced by Mr Mac-Gregor in trying to improve school buildings and to raise standards in spite of tight limits on council spending.

Ministers also face the threat of legal action by councils. Mr Byers says that spending curbs may force councils to make cuts that threaten their ability to meet statutory duties to provide adequate education for all children. Rather than allow parents to take Labour authorities to court, Mr Byers urges the authorities to seek judicial review of their own failure to meet statutory standards.

He writes: "If you feel that the financial position in your authority gives cause for concern, then I urge you to take the political initiative in this matter. It may well be possible for an individual education authority to seek a declaration from the High Court as to whether or not it is discharging its statutory duties. Such an action would ensure that it is the government and its financial policies which are

put into the dock." Mr Patten's worries will be increased by figures produced yesterday by the Labour-controlled Local Government Information Unit suggesting that £1 billion of business rates remain unpaid. The survey of 32 local authorities August 30 had not been paid.

only half that expected. Although the London Borough of Waltham Forest had collected 104 per cent of its expected business rate income, Sandwell, in the West Midlands, had received just 56 per cent and Southwark south London, 58 per cent. David Blunkett, Labour's local government spokesman, said: These figures provide further evidence that next year's poli tax bills will be higher than the government

He blamed the government minute guidance and publicity for councils and said that inaccurate valuation lists from the Inland Revenue had added to problems.

The environment department said: "The main reason for the slow collection is that local authorities have not put have been slow to send out reminders and summonses. We have clear indications that since this survey was taken the

situation has improved."

MP longs for a drop of real ale

places where real ales can be real ale is not well kept, be enjoyed but the Commons is says, so he drinks Pilsner not one of them, according to Urquell instead. the Campaign for Real Ale's Good Beer Guide 1991.

the House. He complains that breweries are closing public the Commons' catering ser- houses to cut costs, vices committee has always been dominated by wine gems, town centre locals and drinkers. In the 1960s, he roadside inns are being raped writes, real ale was removed from the House when MPs introduction. Camra has comfrom the north-east were piled a list of some 150 pubs can mingle. The cellar which

Real ale has few friends in the present House, though Mr Nicholas Winterton as being ales, about half of them new. among them. Westminster Good Beer Guide 1991, (Camra. Staff have real ale in their bar but MPs do not like to ALI 3BW, £6.99)

THERE are at least 5,000 interrupt them and the staff's

Jeff Evans, editor of the ood Beer Guide 1991. guide, said many commu-In an article in the book Joe nities may soon be as deprived Ashton, Labour MP for Bass- as the Commons. Business etlaw, reports on the lack of rates, rent reviews and high success for his two-year cam-interest are forcing small landpaign to get "decent" beer in lords out of business and

"Across the land, country and pillaged," he writes in his allowed to bring in kegs of closed, sold for development, Federation bitter to supply the converted into private housbar where MPs and the press ing or turned into theme restaurants or amusement arformerly housed barrels of real cades in recent months. The ale was then appropriated to guide welcomes the law requiring tied pubs to accept guest beers which it says has resulted in a flurry of activity Ashton mentions the Coaser- among brewers. The book vatives Greg Knight and offers tasting notes on 200 real

Capping fear £33m debt forecast for London university

university is expected, how-

deficits previously estimated at £46 million by 1993-4. The quiry into university finance.

Three colleges, Queen Mary and Westfield (QMW), Royal Holloway and Bedford New College, and University College, have been pinpointed by the funding council because of their steadily worsening financial forecasts. Five others -King's, Goldsmiths' and Wye colleges, the School of Pharmacy and the Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine - are also causing the council

Professor Stuart Sutherland, vice-chancellor of London university, has told the council that the three targeted colleges have made extra staff cuts in the past year. Royal Holloway is expected to wipe deficit by selling land and part of its valuable collection of paintings, while QMW will

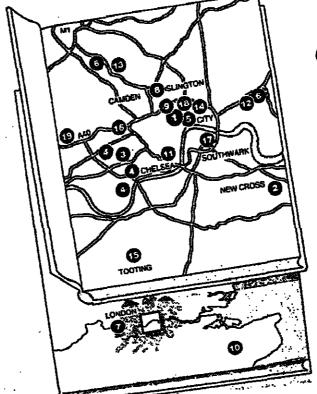
million off the deficit pro- signed to save £1 million jected for London university before the sale can proceed are in four years' time. The due to be agreed in December.

Other property deals are ever, to be £33 million in debt expected to transform the by the middle of the decade position of King's and Wye unless further action is taken. colleges. The university court The forecasts have been agreed on Wednesday to appresented to the Universities point a consultant to plan the Funding Council to dem- most efficient use of its own onstrate that London colleges city centre buildings for acaare taking action to curb demic purposes and to raise more money.

The sale of capital assets university tops the council's will not extricate London 'worry list" and was of most from its financial problems, concern to the public accounts but administrators believe committee in its recent en- that further re-organisation could enable them to tackle the worst of the problems. "If you are told you must act as a major company but you may not use the biggest asset you have got, you are acting as with a ball and chain around your foot," Professor Suther-land said.

The fate of the university's request for a higher grant to compensate for the extra costs of operating in the capital is a more important element of its financial strategy. The government's autumn statement on public spending should show whether ministers have accepted London's claim for an extra £13.6 million to maintain the same level of staffing and services as other

Full compensation, which remains unlikely, would en-able the university to balance



although it would not wipe out the debt burden that has built

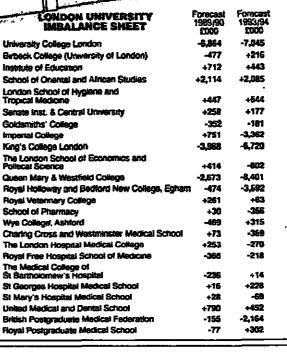
Part of the explanation behind the university's increas-ing financial difficulties lies in the cost of mergers or closures of uneconomic colleges that have taken place. The university expects to show a surplus of more than £3 million on its current account this year, but

almost £10 million overall.

the result of London's success in restructuring," Professor Sutherland said. "What people said was impossible merger consequences last longer than most people realise, and they take a lot of

its books on an annual basis, it anticipates a deficit of effect on admissions." Other "Some of our problems are

nationally has happened here size of the university. "If you are dealing with one-fifth of all



contributory factors are falling levels of government grant and underfunding of pay

London's problems are more obvious because of the you are bound to find that what is apparent elsewhere is staff time, as well as baving an writ large in London," he said.



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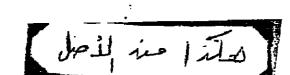
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Law Lord calls for no-fault medical compensation plan

renewed pressure to compensate victims of medical accidents without the need for them to prove fault in the courts. At the weekend, Lord Griffiths, a Lord of Appeal in the escalati

House of Lords, called for a negligence might do to the no-fault compensation scheme for victims of medical mishaps. He told solicitors at the Law Society's conference niques and damage the

He said that no fault compensation would mean lower levels of compensation.

☐ Children of divorced par-But I believe that is a price the public would be prepared higher maintenance payments to pay for the certainty of recovery rather than the lot-

Lord Griffiths call coincides with a move by health spokesman, to publish a bill next week for a no-fault. is expected to attract all-party

to reach an out-of-court settlehaemophiliacs infected with monial h ministers had instructed their

THE government is facing the contaminated blood prod- ments. The awards will be ucts to end what is certain to made by a child support

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☐ Thousands of tenants face.

losing their right to claim compensation for damp, in

festation and other housing

problems. The Law Society

says that because of govern-

ment muddle, the right will be

protection bill unless action is

taken by the Lords tomorrow

told the society that they had not foreseen the full con-

seamences of their tidying up

exercise in the bill. At present,

conneil tenants can use mag-

istrates' courts to obtain up to

£2,000 in compensation for

tion, infestation and "cold-

bridging dampness'. However, if the bill goes

through in its present form.

the society says awards will be

misery caused by condens

Government officials have

be a lengthy costly and agency which would carry out embarrassing court dispute. tasks such as identifying and Lord Griffiths said he was tracing absent parents, in-concerned about the harm vestigating the income and push the profession "into defensive medicine techin Glasgow that different kinds of no sault schemes There was also the appalling were now operating in New trauma inflicted on the doctor Zealand, Sweden and Finland. and patient when they were required to go through the litigation proces

> ents are likely to receive reform the way such awards are calculated, the Law Society said at the weekend.

The proposals, which will be published in a white paper later this month, could, however, undermine any attempt compensation scheme, which by complex at a "clean break", the society said. This was Both mitiatives come as the income families, the parent government is under pressure faced with the higher costs might be less willing to forego might also lose other benefits

lawyers to negotiate with law-introduce a formula for yers acting for the victims of calculating maintenance pay-



competition at the Great All-England Ploughing Match yesterday at Tongham, Surrey.

The aim was for man and beasts straightest series of furrows. The skill is in ensuring that the horses plough the first furrow straight and true. After that, a good pair of carthorses will

hmen will, from today, be able to take a two-week ploughing course at Holme Lacy College of Agriculture, near Hereford. John Hood, principal of the college, said that the place of the horse in agriculture was growing once again. "They have a place in forest work, pulling up trees, and they are picturesque. They're also a lot less expensive than tractors." A decent working horse would cost ground £25,000 for a new tractor.

Owners have to be enthusiasts, though, Mr Hood said. "You have to work at horses, and they eat seven days a week, whereas you can switch off a tractor at five o'clock on Friday and come back to it when you're ready. Horses regenerate themselves, however, they're cheap to buy and to run and they're non-polluting. In fact.

Free farm land for housing, group says

By CHRISTOPHER WARMAN

FARMERS who také land out of production under the government's "set aside" policy should be encouraged to provide small-scale rural housing. Housing Choice, the free market housing campaign, says

A policy paper proposes that farmers could apply for planning permission for new settlements on 25 per cent of the land they propose to take farmer could bank 25 per cent of the proceeds in place of the present subsidy from public funds. The balance would be placed in trust for the care and upkeep of the remaining 75 per cent of the land.

Calling for an amendment to the government/European Choice says it would eliminate the need for subsidies from public funds. The proposal would also help to solve the shortage of attordable housing in rural areas.

The policy paper, Housing Cash Crop, aims to resolve the dilemma of farmers being offered public subsidies to take land out of production. while planning controls are interpreted and applied more strictly in response to the demand for new rural homes.

Search for way to a fairer deal on legal aid

A team reviewing the troubled legal aid scheme has many questions to answer, Frances Gibb reports

TOP-LEVEL officials have set up last November by embarked on a radical re- Lord Mackay amid evithink of how the legal aid scheme should provide ac. had dropped out of the cess to justice for those who scheme's scope because the cannot afford to go to law.

scheme was set up 40 years ago, comes amid concern over the scheme's using School of Economics last costs and the falling min-

bers of people eligible. In five years, the scheme's people had become inclig-cost has doubled to £715 ible for civil legal aid, million gross (some £600 denying many access to the million net), a rate of in- courts because they cannot demand-led, with no spend- Law Society and the Bar. such a rate of increase can different kinds of cases, not continue, and Lord that legal aid is not an un-receive aid for personal conditional blank cheque injury claims. This would from the taxpayer. Yester bring in many litigants day, Tony Holland, the Law caught in the middle in-Society president, accused come trap". Another option the government of seeking could be to reduce aid in to control its costs by "cap- divorce cases unless comples

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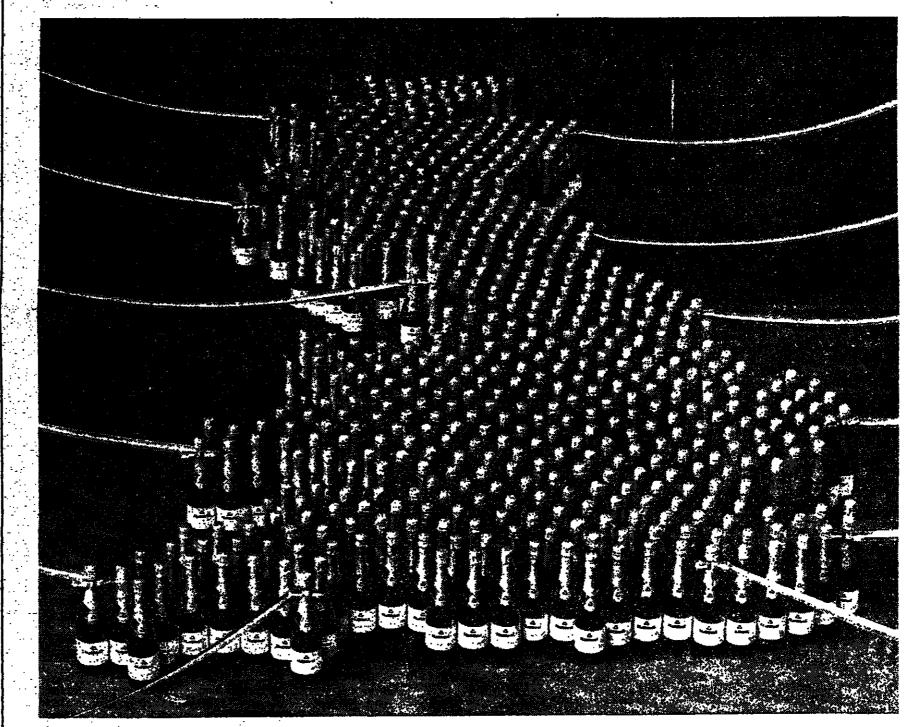
year suggested that since 1979 up to 14.8 million

lawyers' legal aid fees. have gone through all con-The review, however, is ciliation procedures and still not just cost-driven. It was have unresolved disputes.

said the need to improve

Yet, as Roger Smith, the legal Action Group director, said yesterday, the gov-ernment must decide how many people legal aid should help; hence consider-ation of funding by bank loans and legal expenses insurance. Above all, pres-sure is on the lawyers to play their part in taming costs.

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Murder of Chamoun sends a warning to **Lebanon Christians**

By MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN DAMASCUS AND ANDREW McEWEN IN LONDON

THE assassination of Dany Chamoun has underlined the unfinished business waiting to be settled after the defeat of General Michel Aoun and his forces a week ago. The murder of a prominent and strong supporter of General Aoun may have been more than a settling of old scores: it seems aimed at discouraging any Maro-nite hopes of a revival.

President Hrawi, who condemned the assassination, had last week said that Lebanon had moved from war to peace. The observation may have been premature, but peace in Lebanon under a continuing strong Syrian presence appears likely.

Damascus last week offered to help the Lebanese government disband Lebanon's warring mi-litias as a step towards implementing the Taif peace plan agreed to last year. Mr Hrawi held talks with President Assad of Syria yesterday and was promised full support.

Another Syrian priority will be to belp bring about the release of Western hostages held by the pro-Iranian Hezbollah (Party of God) in Beirut. The hostages are reported to have been moved from southern Beirut to the Bekaa Valley, which could be in prepara-

tion for their release. Four or five British diplomats are due to arrive in Tehran by Saturday after the agreement last month to restore Anglo-Iranian

THE killing of Dany Chamoun,

the Christian leader, and his

family vesterday was the latest in a

long line of assassinations in

Lebanon's 15-year-old civil war.
The following are the most

prominent Lebanese who have

been killed since its start in 1975:

March 16, 1977: Kamal Jumblatt,

aged 60. Druze leader, killed in an

ambush near his home in the

Shouf mountains southeast of

Beirut. A socialist who dreamed of

a secular democratic Lebanon,

Jumblatt founded and led the

Druze Progressive Socialist Party

militia and the Lebanese Nation-

alist movement, a coalition of left-

wing parties. Angry Druze villagers avenged his death by

killing more than 140 Christians.

Jumblatt was seen as campaigning

against Syria's military interven-tion in Lebanon which began in

aged 36. deputy and former tele-

communications minister, mur-

dered with his wife, daughter and

more than 30 followers by Chris-

tian militiamen who attacked his

summer home in the northern

village of Ehden. Franjieh, a

Christian Maronite, was the son of

former president Suleiman

Franjieh who asked Syria to send

troops to Lebanon and blamed

Lebanese Forces militia leader

September 14, 1982: Bashir

Gemayel, aged 34, president-elect,

and 20 followers killed by a bomb

in Christian east Beirut nine days

before his inauguration. Christian

Bashir Gemayel for the killing.

1976.

Assassins add to

their grim tally

whether the re-opening of the embassy and the hostages' freedom prospects are linked.

Hossein Moussavian, a senior Iranian diplomat, was quoted yesterday as saying that that they could be freed in "the near future" or in "two or three months". Mr Moussavian has in the past played an important role in Anglo-Iranian relations.

Although Farouk al-Shara, the Syrian foreign minister, said last week that freedom for the hostages was complicated by the lack of Anglo-Syrian relations, Damascus probably wants them freed as soon as possible. Better links with the West offer the best hope of strengthening Syria's economy, as its role in the Gulf conflict has shown. By dispatching about 3,000 of his 400,000 troops to join the multinational forces facing Iraq, President Assad has bolstered Syria's fortunes. Saudi Ara-

\$1 billion (£500,000).

While \$0 per cent of Syrians sympathise with Iraq, if not President Saddam Hussein, President Sadd dent Assad was sufficiently confident of his authority to know he would not risk an internal back-

lash by dispatching troops to join a multinational force against Iraq. His leadership, backed by a ruthless security apparatus, contrasts with that of the Middle East's other long-standing survivors, King Husain of Jordan, and

militiamen killed hundreds of

Palestinians in the Sabra and

Chatila refugee camps two nights

June 1, 1987: Rashid Karami, 65,

prime minister, died after a bomb

exploded aboard a Lebanese army

helicopter. A Sunni Muslim mod-

erate and head of Lebanon's "last

chance" government since 1984,

Karami had submitted his resigna-

tion in May 1987 but President

Amin Gemayel refused to accept

May 16, 1989: Sheikh Hassan

Khaled, ages 68, head of Leba-non's Sunni community, killed by

a car bomb as his motorcade

passed through Muslim west Bei-rut. The blast killed 22 people and

November 22, 1989: Rene

Muawad, 64, newly-chosen president, killed with 16 others on

Lebanon's independence day

motorcade in west Beirut. Syrian-

backed Muawad was chosen on

November 5 as Lebanon's first

president in more than a year. His

election was the result of an Arab

peace pact to end Lebanon's civil

war. Syria pointed a finger at

Michel Aoun, the army chief, who

dismissed Muawad as a Syrian

puppet. Aoun denounced the kill-

October 21, 1990: Dany

Chamoun, aged 56, prominent Christian leader, his wife and two

sons, shot dead at home in the east

Beirut suburb of Baabda by three

hooded gunmen wearing Lebanese

ing as an "ugly crime."

wounded 80.

Yassir Arafat, the Palestinian Liberation Organisation chairman, who were both wrong-footed by the events in the Gulf. By giving what was seen as a diplomatic tigleaf to the American forces in Saudi Arabia, President Assad can expect a greater role in any post-conflict Middle East settlement. He can also hope for US pressure on Israel to achieve his long-term goal of winning back the Golan Heights. It is believed that Washington tacitly agreed to the ousting of General Aoun, removing the main challenge to

Syria's negemony over Lebanon. However, the Syrian presence in the Gulf is to remain largely symbolic, despite pledges to the US last month that it would eventually be increased to 15,000 troops. The Syrians argue that they cannot move troops overland because Jordan is sympathetic to Iraq, and Soviet promises to ship the men in have not been fulfilled. By the time all the Syrian troops arrive, President Assad expects any war to be over, and he will be saved from sending his forces into

battle against a brother Arab state.
"It's a very shrewd move," said
one Western official. "But the Americans seem satisfied." For his minimum input, President Assad can also expect more economic aid from the West.

Last month, in what was seen as rare goodwill gesture, Britain lifted its veto at the European Community to allow Syria \$192 million worth of project aid. It was, as Syrian officials observed, a pittance compared to the aid from Saudi Arabia, but it is being seen as a taste of things to come. When diplomatic relations between London and Damascus are restored, which is still several months away, Syria will be able to normalise ties comprehensively with the rest of the EC.

Despite long-standing enmity between the Syrian and Iraqi leaders, President Assad has given an impression that Damascus has no hostile intentions against Baghdad. He has mobilised few troops along their joint border, and the Syrian media did not mention that troops were joining the multinational forces until ten days after the first Syrians reached the Gulf.

Only a year ago President Assad as out in the cold. The Soviet Union had tightened his purse strings and his arch-enemy, President Saddam, was resurgent after his victory against Iran. In contrast, Syria was isolated from any Arab grouping, and General Aoun, the maverick Christian general, was still defying his authority in Lebanon.

Today Damascus is part of a new regional power axis along Cairo and Rivadh, while President Saddam is bent on a suicidal course. General Aoun is hiding in the French embassy in Beirut. Syria's relations with Tehran are as warm as ever, and pressure is expected to be applied on Israel to negotiate on Middle East peace.

President Assad's enhanced status is reflected in an observation by diplomats based in Damascus, where his portrait appears on posters. The picture has been altered, they say, so that his benign but firm features now show a trace of a smile.

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Death of patrician who was 'too nice' for Beirut politics

WE MET and talked at a simple barbecued lunch at an open-air restaurant in the spectacular for-ested mountains of the Chabrouh valley, 8,000 ft above the Lebanese coast.

Dany Chamoun had arrived on foot having walked for six hours, 15 miles across the mountains from his home in the ski resort of Faqra. For him it was a regular hike. He was accompanied by a retinue - friends, political associates and bodyguards - and by a second squad of hikers, a dozen children aged under ten, in battledress, who proceeded to play noisy war-games around the tables.

Two of the children were Chamoun's sons, Julian and Tarek, gunned down with their father in yesterday's morning

bloodbath. With the Christian enclave surrounded and besieged by Syria militias Dany Chamoun was hoping at the time of our meeting. to arouse Western support for the war being waged by Michel Aoun, the de facto Lebanese leader, against Syrian domination. Our conversation was punctuated by distant shell-fire, as Chamoun complained that the West seemed untroubled by the Syrian occupation. In addition to infringing Lebanese sovereignty and shelling civilian communities, he said, the Syrians were firing on ships bound for Lebanon, in international waters. Why did the West do

Dany Chamoun was a patrician

figure with an easy charm and fair skin and hair, possibly inherited from his half-Scottish grandmother. Some said he was too nice for the viciousness of Lebanese politics; others that he was simply

too weak. As a scion of one of Lebanon's leading families he spoke Arabic, French and English, educated at Loughborough College and could have been as at home in Belgravia or Biarritz as in Beirut. He was initially a bit of playboy and married his first wife, an English model, after being cited in her divorce from the son of Victor Silvester, the danceband leader.

By the time we met, a year ago, however, his playboy past was behind him. He had returned to Lebanon and become the leader of the Tigers, the Maronite Christian militia of Camille Chamoun, his father and a former Lebanese Bashir Gemayel, the son of another former president, Chamoun's Tigers had attacked and defeated Palestinian forces at the Tel el-Zaatar refugee camp, a notorious battle in which an estimated 2,200 Palestinian men, women and children died.

At the time of our meeting he commanded no militia but was the leader of the National Liberal Party which, he pointed out with some intensity, was the strongest single party in the Lebanese parliament before it fell into disuse in 1988 and power slipped into the hands of the military. Chamoun had been a candidate

for the presidency - and in view of his party's position a likely victor - but the elections did not take place, resulting in the outgoing president, Amin Gemayel, handing authority on an interim basis to General Aoan, his chief of staff.

After lunch Chamoun took me for a tour of the forward positions of the Christian forces, pointing out Syrian positions on the neighbouring mountain ridge and the village of Beskinta. That village, he said, was renowned for the succulence of its cherries and every year he arranged for twocrates of the fruit to be sent to the Queen at Buckingham Palace: It was a tradition started by his father when he was president.

Despite the viciousness of the Lebanese conflict Chamoun remained optimistic that peace would one day be regained. Over tea and cakes, he described his £3.5 million ski resort and talked optimistically of how tourism would boom again if only peace could be achieved.

He admitted that he sometimes. got downhearted. But, left alone and protected by the international community from outside aggression, Lebanon could achieve political reform and reunion.

"But we are a country occupied: by a foreign force and that has to end first. Until there is peace in Lebanon there is no way terrorism can be eradicated and no way the major issue of the Middle East the Arab-Israeli issue - can be

Jerusalem security alert after stabbings

From A CORRESPONDENT IN JERUSALEM

A PALESTINIAN man armed with a knift stabbed three Israelis to death yesterday on a quiet residential street in Jerusalem.

The attacker was identified by police as an Islamic fundamental ist aged 19 from the Bethlehem area. Police speculated that the man may have been trying to avenge the Temple Mount in-cident, less than two weeks ago, in which more than 20 Palestinians

died after police opened fire.

Arych Bibi, the Jerusalem police commander, told a news conference that police reinforcements had been called in to the city to guard against further attacks or reprisals against Arabs. Despite the increased security, there were scattered reports of Arab cars being stoned. There were no

immediate reports of injuries. News agencies received tele-phone calls from several groups claiming responsibility for the attack. They included a previously unheard-of group calling itself the Islamic Jihad-al-Aqsa Brigades, which apparently takes its name from a mosque on the Temple

Mount in Jerusalem. Police declined to say if the attacker belonged to any organisation. Two groups are known to be active in the Bethlehem area, Islamic Jihad and Hamas. Both have gained support during the 34-month Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories.

Yesterday's incident occurred at 7am in the suburb of Baka in southern Jerusalem. The attacker, carrying a knife with a 16-inch blade, first cornered a woman soldier aged 18 and fatally stabbed her in the stomach. He then pursued a shopkeeper aged 43 who was carrying plants to his nursery and stabbed him in the chest.

An off-duty policeman who heard the commotion rushed from his house and, after firing warning shots in the air, shot the Palestinian in both legs. But the Palestinian stabbed the policeman, aged 28, to death before he was wrestled

to the ground by others.

David Ben Shimon, who witnessed the incident, told Israel radio that he and other neighbours pursued the Palestinian and held him for police. "He shouted 'Allahn Akbar' (God is Greatest) until we grabbed him from be-hind, took his knife and got control of him," Mr Shimon said. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, the director

of a Palestinian analytical group in Jerusalem, said that Israel's refusal to negotiate with the Palestinians had created a climate that spawned such violence. "There is fear that a Belfast-style situation will become the norm in Jerusalem if there is no movement

Baka was an Arab district until Israel gained control of the western sector of Jerusalem in the 1948 Arab-Israeli war. It is now populated by Jews, with a scattering of Arab families who did not join the 1948 Palestinian exodus from Israei.

The Temple Mount riots two weeks ago reignited the flagging Palestinian uprising in the territories Israel captured in the 1967 Middle East war. During the 34month uprising, 761 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli soldiers or civilians, and 282 by fellow Arabs, most on suspicion of collaborating with Israel.

Anti-war protesters march again in US cities

From Charles Bremner in New York

IN A scene reminiscent of the anti-war protests of the Vietnam era, 10,000 demonstrators marched through New York on Saturday, demanding a US withdrawal from the Gulf. Thousands more protested in Atlanta, Boston, Washington, San Francisco and

"Hell No, We Won't Go, We Won't Fight for Texaco," the demonstrators chanted in New York, where they walked the old Vietnam war route from Columbus Circle to Times Square led by seven reserve soldiers who had either deserted or become conscientious objectors. The Saturday marches, at-

tended by left-wing groups, Vietnam veterans, churchmen, students and soldiers' families, were the strongest sign so far of doubts among the American public over President Bush's military confron-Other evidence came from a

poll by Newsweek magazine, pub-

lished yesterday, which found that

69 per cent of Americans believed

that Mr Bush was-not making enough effort to find a diplomatic solution; while 73 per cent thought that Mr Bush should wait longer for sanctions to work before considering military action to remove Iraq from Kuwait. But 43 per cent said that even if Iraq pulled out, Mr Bush should order military action to eliminate Iraq's military power or remove President Saddam. Misgivings over the prospect of war have increased in recent weeks with the waning of the feeling of national emergency aroused by Mr Bush's initial call to arms in August. The débacle over the domestic budget has sharpened a perception among many that America has no business sending a quarter of a million troops to fight in Arabia at a time of economic crisis at home. according to polls.

In New York, about twenty speakers harangued the protesters with themes familiar from the Vietnam days. "We're here



Sound proposition: a 78-year-old protester outside the White House during a Washington rally against Gulf intervention

because we have an imperial presidency, as unrestrained as any military dictatorship that ever lived," said Ramsay Clark, who was attorney general for President Johnson at the time of America's initial build-up in Vietnam. "It's like it's the Sixties all over

again," said Leonard Johnson, a veteran of the last big protests. "Only then, the villains in the government were bigger and we still beat them. Now we're up against the Bush League." A common theme among speakers and on protest banners was the

should have no part in defending feudal Arab states. Some speakers broke into a chant that proved popular in the march into Times Square where the protesters gathered in front of the armed forces recruiting station: "George Bush, read our lips, we're not boarding any Pentagon ships." Jimmy Breslin, the New York.

argument that the United States

commentator, stood in Columbus circle looking at the crowd and mused: "The numbers are so large. this suggests that Washington probably can't consider waging war without any great opposition at home."

● TOKYO: More than 23,000 Japanese rallied and marched at 17 points in Tokyo yesterday, protesting against a government plan to send soldiers to the Gulf. More than 11,000 people gath-

ered at a Tokyo park, while almost 12,000 others joined hands in a human chain that nearly surrounded a US air base in the suburbs, according to a police official who asked not to be named. (AP)

Dig deep and keep powder dry

IN EL ALAMEIN

VETERANS of the desert battle of El Alamein have advice for US-led forces in the Gulf: dig deep, save water and keep your powder dry. Widows wept spurred and booted former foes saluted and cameras clicked as buglers in spiked helmets played Last Post in memory of allied and axis troops who fell in the battle of El Alamein that began 48 years ago on

Some of those at the ceremony gave some thought to the arrival in Saudi Arabia on Saturday of the first Challenger tanks of the modern-day "Desert Rats" of and veterans around the spick-Britain's 7th Armoured Brigade. and-span cemeteries, said the "Desert Rats" of

chests plastered with campaign ribbons, chipped in with advice for the troops massing in the Gulf to confront iraq. "Be bloody cheerful," boomed Pat Lewis, who won the Military Medal for gallantry at el Alamein. "Save your water ration, and every time a Field Marshal) Montgomery's sucshell comes in, dig your hole a little deeper."

El Alamein was the turningpoint of the second world war North Africa campaign - and both terrain and climate are similar to the Arabian desert.

Colonel Michael Martin. shepherding a group of tourists

second world war could apply just as well to the US-led coalition of . forces massed in Saudi Arabia. "The key is to get the resources at the right place and time, to get everything in place before starting. That was the key to General (later cess," said Colonel Martin, formerly of the Royal Hampshire Regiment

In the Western desert, the wrecks of tanks have been replaced by concrete villas as Egypt's tourism industry gallops along the coast toward Libya. Sunday's interdenominational ceremony took place against the background of bulldozers and lorries

villages and a four-lane highway. Each year a brief ceremony is held to commemorate the dead of El Alamein. The three main antagonists - the Germans, Italians and British - take turns to do the organising.

Montgomery, commander of the Eighth Army in the desert, had massed his forces in a strong defensive position to crush the already exhausted axis forces led by Rommel. Montgomery had 700 bombers and fighter aircraft, unmatched by the Luftwaffe, and 1.200 tanks to the 500 of Rommel's Afrika Korps. With an opening barrage of nearly 1,000 guns, the allies broke through and

depleting their already thin reserves of fuel, ammunition, vehicles and men.

The campaign had not started that way. Initially, the impetuous Rommel's Panzers routed the poorly equipped and indifferently led Allies. The veterans remembered what it was like to live on the run, like a rat in a hole. "We lived a hard life, digging for survival like desert rats - that's where the nickname came from." said Jim Glibbery, a former stretcher bearer with the Fourth Essex Regiment, "Our tanks were about as good as cocoa tins, and in the beginning we were hadly outgunned," he recalled.

of war". They expressed their support for the action of the United Nations. The appeal came as warships in the Gulf went into an advanced

state of readiness after an American destroyer fired warning shots across the bows of an Iraqi tanker, al-Bahar al-Arabi, when it ignored orders to stop to be searched. US authorities did not immediately disclose the outcome. Although the defence ministry

and York yesterday called for

prayers to find a "just solution" to

the confrontation in the Gulf without recourse to the horrors

said that there was no British involvement in the incident, the HMS Gloucester went on the alert in anticipation of an Iraqi military response.

On Saturday Mrs Thatcher told Yevgeni Primakov, an emissary from President Gorbachev, that no political arrangement to help President Saddam Hussein of Iraq withdraw from Kuwait without losing face would be acceptable.

He called to see her at Chequers to report on a meeting with President Saddam. Whitehall sources said he believed some arrangement might be possible, though he did not suggest there should be concessions.

Mrs Thatcher replied that the allies would not pay any price to get Iraqi forces out of Kuwait. He had to go - "and that's that". It was not for the allies to save his face. He had got himself into a jam and would have to get himself out of it by leaving Kuwait.

The House of Bishops of the Church of England, which discussed the Gulf last week, did not issue a statement of its views. However, senior churchmen of all denominations have been consistent in calling for a "just solution". Most have said that a war with

Church leaders call for 'just solution'

By RUTH GLEDHILL AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF THE Archbishops of Canterbury Iraq would not meet conditions

needed for a just war. Dr Robert Runcie and Dr John Habgood yesterday issued a prayer to coincide with United Nations Day next Wednesday. The prayer read: "With the end of the Cold War that has blighted the world for so long, the United Nations are at last able to function as their founders intended. They moved with great speed to deal with the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The comprehensive UN sanctions against Iraq provide the world's best hope for a peaceful solution to

the Gulf crisis. The archbishops called on Christians throughout the country to pray for a successful outcome of the UN's endeavours and for all those immediately affected by the conflict. They prayed in particular for the hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait and their families, and for the people of Iraq whose government has brought them into conflict with the world. "Above all, we call for prayers that a just solution may be found without recourse to the horrors of war."

Last week, the primates of the Anglican communion expressed their dismay at the "appalling loss of life" in the Temple Mount killings at Jerusalem on October 8. According to the Rev Philip Crowe, a theologian in the Church of England, a war against Iraq would not meet the basic conditions of a "just war". Speaking last week on BBC Radio he said that the church had failed to give a spiritual and moral lead in the Gulf conflict Mr Crowe said: The Gulf crisis doesn't even meet the basic condition of a just war, which is that it must be fought for

The Rt Rev Richard Harries, Bishop of Oxford, later supported Mr Crowe's view that the conditions for a just war were not met.

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The £15,870° Alfa Romeo 164 2.0 Twin Spark won a rapturous review in a recent article in What Car?' which tested five executive cars, four of which fell within the two litre tax bracket.

The cars included the new Pengeot 605 SRi, as well as a Ford Granada 2.0; Ghia, a Rover 820e and a Volvo 740 GLT.

Even in introducing this line-up, the magazine was unequivocal about the Alfa Romeo. (Since this space has been paid for but the magazine article wasn't, you will probably be more impressed if you read their words.)

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While the Volvo has pace, it has little else going for it, hence its third placing. The Rover . . . ultimately lacks the Alfa's pure brio and charm.

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'Why does the 605 give best to the Alfa 164?

The fluid way (the 164) strings bends together,

its grip, balance and eager turn-in make it a rewarding

machine for the keen driver.

'(The Rover's) steering remains light and rather dead, neither can it cope with bumps encountered in mid-bend.

'The Ford feels a bit squashy and roly-poly, underdamped even, if asked to cover the ground briskly. Compared with its rivals, the (Volvo) 740 feels a decade out of date. It's reactions are

why this shouldn't be true of the smaller-engined car, and just look at those servicing times ~ 12,000 miles between them.

'Third place goes to the Volvo because it's just too expensive to buy in this company.

VERBICT.

'The 605's problem is the Alfa 164, a car which has already done wonders for Alfa's image.

'In Twin Spark Lusso guise, the Alfa's a cracker: fast, responsive, fine-handling, fluid, a car to bring out the best in a driver as it flows along the road. And crucially, it's pleasurable for its passengers, too.

'It's an object of desire, a car to covet, the one out of the five you'd most want to see in your driveway. And all for the price, or thereabouts, of a Granada Ghia, and considerably less than a Volvo 740 GLT.

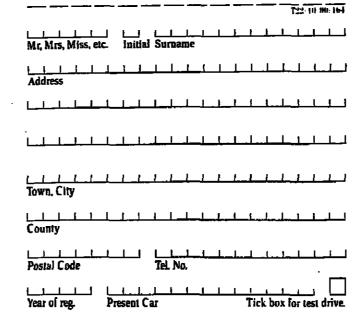
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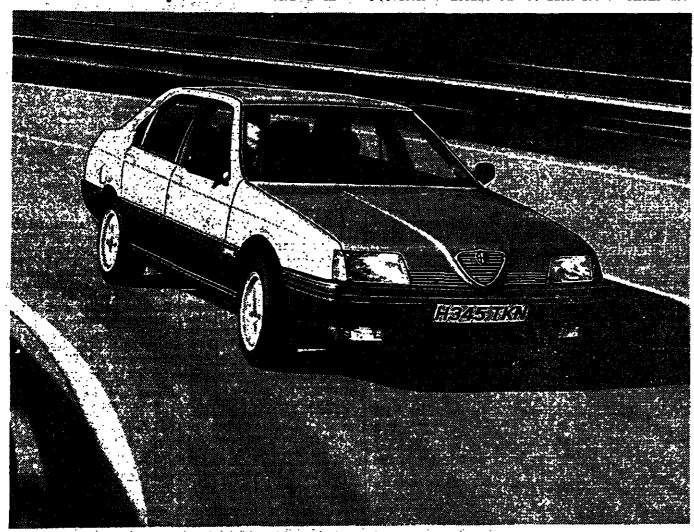
For the record, the 164 2.0 Twin Spark has power steering, electric windows and door mirrors, stereo radio cassette and central locking as standard, as well as an ABS option, all for £15,870. The £17,870, 164 2.0 Twin Spark Lusso also has ABS, an electric sunroof and alloy wheels as standard, as well as air conditioning and leather seats as options.

In another comparative test, What Car? magazine gave top marks to the Twin Spark's larger engined brother: the £22,635,* 143 mph Alfa Romeo 164 3.0 V6.

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'As the name suggests, there are two spark plugs per cylinder, but the engine also has variable inlet valve timing. Theoretically, it's a very efficient engine and on paper the results are impressive:

148 bhp from a non-turbo charged 2.0 litre four is good going. Against the Peugeot's 122 bhp eight valve engine, the Alfa Romeo 164 is clearly a long way ahead on power.

PERFORMANCE AND ECONOMY.

Overall, the Alfa sparkles above the others here. The difference is that it has verve and spirit and really revels in being driven hard.

'(The Granada's) engine is noisy and thrashy in the extreme and has absolutely no enthusiasm for hard work.

'Overall the 605 performs pleasantly. Yet there's something missing in its armoury.

'it does seel like a big, heavy car endowed with a small and relatively under-powered engine.

slow and stolid, and the body rolls, squirms and shudders through the bends and over the bumps as though connected only distantly to the wheels.

QUALITY AND EQUIPMENT.

'Quality, in the sense used here, means more than just build integrity. It also encompasses quality of materials, and how effectively they are used in the aesthetic sense. Judged accordingly, the Alfa Romeo and the Rover vie for first place. Both have deep, lustrous paintwork, expensive-looking and feeling plastics inside, high-quality seat fabrics and decent carpets. Compared with these two, the Peugeot doesn't quite make the grade.

'(The Granada's) rear bumper shakes when you shut the boot, the strip of fake wood across the facia is a woeful misjudgement and it's all starting to look a touch messy, a shade dated.

'Dated certainly describes the Volvo.

SERVICING AND COSTS.

'In 3.0 litre form, the well-built 164's...
secondhand values are strong. There's no reason

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US academics under pressure to rewrite ethnic history

From Charles Bremner

IN THE old days, a few dates and names sufficed to sketch the history taught in American schools: pyramids, Greeks, 1066, Richard the Lionheart, Christopher Columbus, Mayflower, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and so on.

But, in late 1990, history teachers venture into a political and racial minefield as rival ethnic and even sexual groups fight for the recognition they say has been denied them. In New York, eight black families have sued the state education authority for failing to teach their children about black achievements. In California, after years of study, the state authority has approved history textbooks that seek to accommodate every culture. They were immediately

attacked by black, Asian, His-panic, Islamic, Jewish, Indian, Chinese, women's, gay and lesbian organisations, all claiming their contributions had been slighted.

Muslims said only Muslims should have written the chapters on Islam; Chinese said their cruel treatment at the hands of whites had been glossed over, Jews complained that nothing was said about persecution by Christians; homosexuals said that famous gays had not been given their due. Above all, black historians denounced the new course as hopelessly biased towards the white, European version. A number of schools are seeking to redress this alleged bias with history lessons that state, among other things, that blacks discovered America, invented the telephone, built the pyramids and invented writing. The criticism in California was

surprising since the state had tried to wipe the slate clean and produce a curriculum that drew on every culture and "was no longer exclusively the property of white males", as one of the authors of the new textbooks put it.

Some educators are wondering if they should give up the whole idea of producing a single history for all Americans, one that seeks to weave all the ethnic and religious experiences that forged

the country.

Bill Honig, the chief of California's huge public education system, sounded the alarm this month: "The question is, do we keep the society together or do we break up into tribal warfare?" he asked. "If you take this to its logical conclusion you get Leba-non or Northern Ireland."

Diane Ravitch, a professor of history at Columbia University in New York, wrote in the American in New York said they were Scholar that the country was in for considering the possibility of a trouble if it failed to preserve an "agreed-upon vision of liberty and justice ... a society and a culture to which we all belong".

The biggest challenge to such thinking has come from the

creation of "Afrocentric" history courses in schools and universities over the past couple of years. Milwaukee this month approved special schools for black children where they will be taught a curriculum that stresses black achievements, based on the thesis of self-esteem, which holds that black children fail at school because they feel left out of a white-dominated culture.

Coming 36 years since the Supreme Court abolished segrega-tion in American schools, the Milwaukee scheme has prompted an outcry. But education officials

similar experiment in the city as a possible desperate measure to stem the huge drop-out rate among black boys. In New York state, one in every four black men under the age of 30 is either in prison, awaiting trial or on parole

or probation. A study by the state education commission reported recently that history as taught had made blacks victims of an intellectual and educational oppression". Establishment scholars say they are particularly concerned about teaching in some schools, based on the Afrocentric belief that African peoples achieved a very high level of culture in a distant golden age and that ancient Egypt was an all-black African nation. By absorbing Egypt's achieve-

nts, they teach, ancient Greece

culture to Africa.

These historians treat as fact the claim that Africans sailed to the Americas 2,000 years before Columbus Evidence for this is based on sculptures and other artefacts that could be interpreted as negroid. Afrocentric teachers are also telling children that the telephone was really pioneered by Lewis Howard Latimer, a black man who worked for Beil.

The American Textbook Council, a private organisation which monitors school materials, is upset by such courses. Gilbert Sewall, its director, said: "What is worrisome is not just the way that facts are put together but throughout there is a sense that they are teaching that racism and evil is all

On a broader level, the ethnic focus is being denounced by many

Arthur Schlesinger, the New York historian and one of the most vocal critics, says it amounts to inventing "happy history". "I don't think that history is a form of therapy that should be used to improve self-esteem," he said recently. Asian Americans, he notes, excelled in US schools without any role models in the

history books. The argument over school history classes comes at a time when Americans of all races have been inspired by the power of the highly acclaimed documentary television series on the civil war. Publishers are now struggling to meet the demand for works on the period of the 19th century conflict. The extraordinary interest in the era suggests that the country is not so "tribalised" in its view of history after all.

UK holds

back on

currency

schedule

By MICHAEL BINYON IN BRUSSELS AND ANDREW MCEWEN

MARGARET Thatcher has told Guilio Andreotti, the Italian prime minister, that she is not

prepared to set a date at the European Community's Rome

summit next weekend for the

second stage of montary union.

Signor Andreotti held talks with ber at Chequers on Saturday amid

increasing pressure from other EC countries for a starting date. But Mrs Thatcher said the question should wait antil an inter-gov-

enumental conference on eco-

nomic and monetary union which

is due to start in December. She assured that the summit already had a full agenda.

Pressure has been growing for a date following the announcement by Heimel Kohl, the German chancellor, last week that he would support January 1994, a compountie date proposed by The Netherlands, Jacques Delors.

the president of the European

Commission, had hoped for a start in 1993 but was delighted by Herr Kohl's move. He believes there is

consensus among all EC countries

Mrs. Phatcher's attitude was not

Today, EC foreign ministers will attempt to salvage an eleventh-hour compromise and the

global credibility of the commu-

nity from the wreckage of the farm

subsidy negotiations. These reached deadlock again on Friday for the third time in two weeks.

Without any agreement on the key

agricultural sector, the community

threatens to sabetage almost four years of work in the Uruguay

round of the General Agreement

Despite the pressing interest of the Twelve in ending the squabble,

the chances of the foreign min-

isters overroling their farm col-leagues look sum. The hard line

taken by Ignaz Kiechie, the Ger-

on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt).

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Democratic groups fail to find unity in Moscow

From Mary Dejevsky in moscow

MORE than 2,000 delegates from all over the Russian Federation gathered in Moscow at the weekend for the first congress of Democratic Russia, an umbrella group uniting more than two dozen political groups opposed to

Communist party rule. The two-day meeting, which was chaotic and at times angry, eventually adopted a moderate constitution, expressed support for the Russian parliament's decision to proceed alone with a programme of rapid economic reform, and called on President Gorbachev to accept Boris Yeltsin's proposal of a reformist coalition within two weeks.

The meeting straggled on yes-terday evening with little direction and sporadic decisions. Attempts to forge alliances foundered repeatedly on the strong and stubborn characters of rival leaders. By the end, Democratic Russia looked no more convincing a political force than it had at

A number of smaller Christian parties fell by the wayside, unhappy with the decision to offer a coalition to the central leadership. Two of the movement's potential

Florida jury acquits rap music band

New York - A Florida jury has acquitted the rap music band, 2 Live Crew, on charges of performing obscene songs. The ver-dict was hailed by civil liberties groups as a victory for artistic freedom (Charles Bremner writes).

After the verdict, the Recording Industry Association of America said: "This judgment should serve as notice to others trying to find music obscene that Americans believe very strongly in our First Amendment rights. Whether they find it vulgar or obnoxious or lewd still does not mean that it is criminally obscene."

Gadaffi's might

Concern in the West over Colonel Gadaffi's influence in Sudan increased yesterday, after Omar Hassan al-Bashir, Khartoum's military leader, said that his country would merge with Libya as soon as possible. Thousands greeted Colonel Gadaffi when he arrived in Khartoum to observe the final session of a conference on Sudan's political future.

Village captured

Colombo - Government troops captured a strategic coastal village in the north and killed 20 Tamil rebels. The capture of Mawaddipuram would open a passage to Kankesanthurai, a vital, rebelcontrolled port one mile away. There was no immediate response from the rebel Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam. (AP)

Jail riots spread

Athens - Rioting by prisoners pressing for reforms spread to the central Greek jail of Larissa, the fifth prison to revolt this month. More than 100 of the jail's 500 prisoners took to the rooftops, burned mattresses and smashed furniture. Rioting has also taken place in prisons in Athens, Crete, Patras and Halkida. (Reuter)

Islands dispute

Taipei - Japan's navy stopped a team of Taiwan athletes from planting an Olympic torch on a deserted chain of islands whose sovereignty is disputed between Taiwan, China and Japan. Taiwan's state television said at least two Japanese navy ships prevented the athletes from landing at the Diaoyutai islands, 120 miles north of Taiwan. (Reuter)

Kabul battles

Kabul - Afghan planes and artillery units attacked mujahidin guerrillas laying siege to the southern city of Qalat, the government said. It said its forces had killed more than 80 rebels in fighting around Qalat, capital of Zabol province. (Reuter)



Mr Travkin argued for it to set up a proper administrative structure and become a political party as soon as possible. Mr Lysenko argued that the movement could stay together as an opposition group only if it maintained its looser organisation. Both were concerned that the movement had built its success largely on negative policies - opposition to com-munist rule - and had few constructive policies to offer.

Large pre-revolutionary Russian flags hung inside the hall, and a photograph of the late Andrei Sakharov, who is now acknowledged as the author of the Soviet democracy movement, was propped up on one side of the platform. Dr Sakharov's widow, Yelena Bonner, made one of the more cogent speeches, appealing for an end to recriminations against former communists and deploring the way her late husband had been made into an icon.

She also berated Mr Gorbachev for arrogating additional presidential powers, but passing responsibility for his economic programme to the republics. She said should either demand the powers to implement their programmes, or insist that Mr Gorbachev take

Mrs Bonner was one of few delegates to be greeted with enthusiasm. Another was the former dissident priest, Gleb Yakunin, who said if Ukrainian students could topple the republic's prime minister, then the Russian Democrats could oust Nikolai Ryzhkov. Otherwise, approval was reserved for calls that Russia should abandon the Soviet Union, recruit its own army and mint its own currency - measures which Mr Yeltsin, as Russian president, has

so far opposed. Many of the democratic movement's luminaries were absent. Mr Yeltsin, who was absent on medical advice, sent a message of greeting, the mayor of Moscow, Gavriil Popov, sent a rousing appeal giving Mr Gorbachev two weeks to agree to a coalition.

On the first day, proceedings started 30 minutes late because of the crush of people trying to enter the hall; police were called and crash barriers were set up in an attempt to separate legitimate delegates from vociferous anticommunists outside.



War games: two young Russian girls trying their hand with a Kalashnikov rifle during an open day at the Soviet army base at Weimar in what was East Germany. It was the second time Moscow's troops stationed in the country have opened their operation to the public

Italian secret services given ultimatum over Moro letters

From Richard Bassett in Rome

GIULIO Andreotti yesterday threatened Italy's secret services with sweeping reforms if they did not quickly clarify the mysterious discovery ten days ago of letters

dered leading Italian politician and Christian Democrat leader. The letters, written during Moro's 55 days of captivity in 1978, were discovered by workmen in a flat which had been extensively searched without success by more than 400 security agents from no fewer than six different

written by Aldo Moro, the mur-

organisations. The discovery has embarrassed

NELSON Mandela faces an

embarrassing boycott of his visit

to Australia by Aborigines hurt

over his unwillingness to discuss

the racism and violence confront-

ing Australia's black population.

The deputy president of the African National Congress is due

in Canberra today for a four-day

visit. He will meet Bob Hawke, the

Yesterday Gary Foley, an in-

fluential aboriginal leader, ac-cused Mr Mandela and the ANC

of hypocrisy. There had been

hopes that he would discuss such

contentious issues as land rights,

and the death rate of blacks in

custody, which is reported to be

nrime minister.

Aborigines threaten to

boycott Mandela visit

From ROBERT COCKBURN IN SYDNEY

the security apparatus and caused Signor Andreotti's Christian Democrat Party discomfort. One letter alleges that Signor Andreotti and other politicians failed to negotiate seriously with the Red Brigades which kidnapped Moro. Another claims that the Christian Democrats were financed throughout the 1950s by American embassy in Rome.

Publication of the letters comes at a time when the political spectrum here is once more on the move. Signor Andreotti's government is ridden with divisions and elections are expected within six

higher than in South Africa.

"Mandela's decision not to talk

about aboriginal issues is a con-

dition of getting money out of the Australian government," Mr Fo-

ley told the Sydney Sun-Herald.

went to great extremes to try to

suggest that there was no problem

However, the aboriginal com-

ABC radio yesterday reported

munity is split on the issue, with

one leader saying Mr Mandela

that Mr Hawke would consider

lifting sanctions against Pretoria

when the elimination of apartheid

was shown to be "irreversible".

of racism in Australia."

would be made welcome.

"It's hypocrisy. They (the ANC)

months. He made it clear yesterday that he thought the letters could have been planted in the flat well after 1978, awaiting "discovery" at a moment when they could cause the greatest instability. "I want to find the postman of

these letters. If the security services cannot find out what pre-Casery took someone else," Signor Andreotti said. He added that all the forces of the state could be brought to bear on the mystery, and that he would not hesitate to streamline and unify Italy's various security organisations.

Earlier this year he drew up plans to restructure the security services, only to shelve them after. opposition from senior officers. Unless the services discover who planted the letters and when. Signor Andreotti will resurrect his plan.

The murdered politician's family demanded yesterday to be. given copies of all 413 pages of the

Vittorio Feltri, editor of the weekly Europeo, was questioned by police at the weekend after the magazine published an interview with a carabinieri officer who infiltrated the Red Brigades after 1978 and claimed that all of Moro's letters had been handed over to Carlo Alberto Dalla Chiesa, the carabinieri general in charge of the initial investigation, who caused disquiet at the time by refusing for five days to hand over papers he had discovered. General Dalla Chiesa was shot by the Mafia in Sicily shortly afterwards.

face speed restriction

From Ian MURRAY - 'IN BONN

PLANS to impose a foliops.

(37.5mph) speed limit on Germany's motorwise during fog are in an advanced state of preparation by the transport number, which has in the past held out for the right of the motorist to travel as last as be or she v

The plans have been drawn un after a series of accidents, including one last week in which ten people died and 87 were injured in fog. The idea is to set up reflectors at 50-yard intervals and to require drivers to obey a 60kph limit if visibility drops below this level. Discussions are under way with state government authornies on introducing the limit early next. year, although some road safety experts say 60kph is too fast for

safety in fog. Motorway limits run counter to what has been the West German view that unlimited speed was one

Because of the strength of the motoring lobby in the country, the idea of limits has always been seen as a political mistake. One transport minister who suggested that they might be a good thing lost his job. Frederich Zimmermann, the present incumbent has been on record as saying that "speed limits are unnecessary", while the transport ministry has joined forces. with the national automobile association, Adac, to produce facts and figures to prove that speed does not necessarily kill.

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messpecied, because John Major, the Chambellor, had argued that it which be foolish to set a starting date without deciding what the content of stage two should be. It is expected to lay the basis for a forespean position bank and a common contency. Carlo Ciampi, governor of the Bank of Italy, added his weight on Saturday to the 1994 proposal. He called for a rapid end to the debate about a single currency and said the een should take on that role.

of the freedoms which came with democracy. The slogan was "a free drive for a free man".

man farm minister, appears to have the support of Herr Kohl, and Haus Dietrich Genscher, the foreign minister, is mlikely to signal a retreat today.

The Gatt issue will leave the

ministers with less time to discuss economic and monetary unique and plans for closer political imion among the Twelve. The ministers will also press-

Douglas Hurd, the foreign sec-retary, to endorse proposals for closer defence and foreign pericy co-operation within the EC, and to make decision-making in the com-inunity more efficient and accountable. Without ruling dut any plans for accelerated political union outlined by France and Germany and vicenously are Germany and vigorously en-dorsed by Italy, Britain insists it is wrong to one empt the December conference or narrow down the agenda at this stage.

Gianni De Michelis, the Italian foreign minister, will today call for more majority voting in the community, the extension of FC competence to defence and foreign policy, and a greater role for the European parliament in decision-

making is due to discuss the Gulf, transatiantic relations and Eastern Europe's urgent need for aid to meet increased oil prices.



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NEW YORK NOTEBOOK by Charles Bremner

Culture shock blowing in the wind for Dylan

A fter a rousing rendition of Blowin' in the Wind, Bob Dylan basked in a shrieking, stomping, standing ovation the other night. There was noth-ing very unusual about that, as the protest is still going strong. What made the show newsworthy was its venue: the West Point military academy.

To the disbelief of his dichard fans. Dylan was invited to America's equivalent of Sandhurst as the star at its concert for the centenary of the birth of General Eisenhower, the late president. The future army commanders and their teachers loved it, singing along with Dylan's Vietnam-era sarcasm, "We try to expose the cadets to a broad range of events," explained William Yost, the arts director.

Dylan is a figure who has had an important impact. But the idea of the singer wailing "like a rolling stone" under the banners of the 101st Airborne Division was too much for the faithful. "Weird", "bizarre", said Lucian Truscott, who dropped out of the military to denounce West Point in his book Dress Grey. "The idea that they'd introduce Bob



Dylan into that is amazing." All this could be taken as confirmation that the 1960s have been sanitised, and the decade nackaged for a re-run in the 1990s. minus the bitterness, drugs and

his month's European fashion shows have certainly borrowed from the the era, but the times may be achangin' even faster than Dylan might think, at least in New York. This autumn in Manhattan, the 1960s have been overtaken by the 1970s as the decade of the 90s - as one fashion arbiter has just defined it. The boutiques of Greenwich village are awash in platform soles, black singers are growing those bushy afro hairstyles again, and clubs are renaming themselves discos and holding Saturday Night Fever nights where everyone tries to emulate John Travolta. Even Barney's, the establishment men's shop, has given in to what had been written off as the "ugly decade". "We're re-evaluating the

beauty of certain Seventies clichés such as platforms, wild prints and that tidy, pulled-together look," said Simon Doonan, Barney's creative More than aesthetics seem to

be driving the fascination for the 1970s. As the mood in America has darkened with recession and the Middle East confrontation, opinion polls and commentators are diagnosing a return to the malaise that last afflicted the country in the 1970s. A new verb has even been coined - "to carterise" - as in President Jimmy. It means to lose your authority through excessive dithering Hardly a pundit has resisted

applying it to Mr Bush for his performance over the budget. t least Mr Bush can take A solace from not being identified with the 1980s.

which have been truly relegated to the rubbish bin of history. "The 1980s were a garbage decade — glitz, fake glamour, false promises," pronounced Faith Popcorn, a New York trend analyst whose clients in-clude politicians and big manufacturing companies. "More than junk bonds, it was junk think-ing," she said. Carolyn Heilbrun has just published the first anti-1080s book, called The Worst Years of Our Lives.

All this talk of decade-hopping is worrying more serious thinkers. Todd Gitlin, a California university professor famous for his views on the corrupting influence of television believes that the decade mania "is a shortcut to thinking about what is going on in society". Another professor has just equated the trashing of the 1980s "to talking about your ex-husband a day after the divorce".

For those who would prefer

not to forget the era of yuppies and Ronald Reagan, the Priving Pursuits company has just produced an "80s edition" of its board game. Here are some samples. What is the first name of Oliver North's wife? (Bersy), Which of Ronald Reagan's children said he thought their black cook was his mother until the age. of 10? (Michael). What Democratic hopeful planted his garden with eggplant, commbers and gypsy peppers? (Michael Du-kakis - Who?)

want to live through to the next decade have been given some striking advice by researchers at the University of California: get married or stay married. The San Francisco teamfound, in an extensive study, that unmarried men between the ages of 45 and 64 are twice as likely to die within ten years than those who are living with wives. Of greatest surprise was the finding that men who lived with someone other than a spouse includ-ing mistresses, children, parents or others, survived no better than men who lived on their own

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Benazir Bhutto ends election campaign on upsurge of popularity

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CAMPAIGNING in Pakistan's Bhutto and Mr Zardari can expect by the Islamic Democratic Allififth general election ends of an intensified legal drive against ficially at midnight tonight in a them on charges of corruption. mood of uncertainty and anxiety over the possibility of military rule. in the crucial months ahead.

Few observers expect the new government to last anything like a full term, regardless of who wins. Benazir Bhutto, who was dismissed as prime minister on August 6 when her popularity was at its lowest ebb in 20 months of power, has staged a comeback and could be within striking distance of returning to office after Wednesday's poll.

Her Pakistan People's Party, together with three small allied parties, could emerge as the single largest block in parliament, but without an overall majority. It would then be up to a large number of rival parties to form a coalition to keep her from power, a task that the army will undoubtedly assist. The odds are against her returning to power, even if the military were to allow it-

after supporting her dismissal.
Asif Zardari, Miss Bhutto's husband, who is in police custody in Karachi on charges of kidnapping and extortion, stands a good chance of winning at least one of the two constituencies he is contesting in his first foray into politics. He, too, has benefited politically from the acting administration's beavy-handed tactics. If anti-Bhutto parties do form

the next government, both Miss

The objective will be to bar Miss Bhutto from politics, something that could bring severe criticism from the United States and other big aid donors. -

The eight-party Islamic Demo-cratic Alliance is striving for a straight win over Miss Bhutto in the 207 Muslim seats being contested. The Sind-based Mohajir Qaumi Movement whose 14 MPs gave their crucial support to Miss Bhutto after the 1988 poll, will this time support her rivals. To win, she will therefore have to do substantially better than last time, when she captured 93 seats on a popularity wave after fighting against 11 years of military rule.

She remains the most charismatic politician in the country, the only one who has consistently attracted huge crowds in a campaign dampened by persistent rumours of a military takeover or postponement of the elections. Many politicians have refused to invest heavily in their campaigns because of fears that the new government, whoever runs it, will

soon collapse in political turmoil.

The military favours the creation of a "national" government that would include MPs from the People's Party. The generals believe that, once it is clear that Miss Bhutto is not returning to power, it will be possible to split

ance would then have a better chance of survival. The army is contemptuous of the performance of the caretaker government installed after Miss Bhatto was dismissed, and it has progressively distanced itself from its attempts to destroy Miss Bhutto as a political force.

The government's primary objective was to discredit the former prime minister in special disqualification courts set up under laws promulgated during the Zia dictatorship. Instead, the tactic created a wave of sympathy due to widespread disgust at the blatantly partisan tactics of a supposedly neutral acting government, whose cabinet comprised Miss Bhutto's most committed

Several leading politicians of both main camps are fighting close-run battles in their own constituencies, and the post-election scene could be radically altered if they are ousted. Assessments by both sides of their likely performance could also be disrupted by a low voter turnout after a campaign that has been devoid of any issues, other than being a simple referendum on the dismissal of the government. Even Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, the Sindi feudal landlord installed as acting prime minister, is in danger of losing his National Assembly seat.

Tactics backfire, page 13



South Korean woman student serving a five-year prison sentence for illegally visiting North Korea last year, is overcome with emotion at the unexpected release by the South Korean authorities of Moon Ik-hwan, a 72-year-old South Korean Presbyterian pastor, serving a seven-year sentence for illegally visiting North Korea (Reuter

reports from Seonl). Mr Moon, a respected dissident and religious figure, was arrested in April 1989 after his illegal trip to Pyongyang, during which he met President Kim II Sung of North Korea. His release from a hospital in the southwestern town of Chonju, where he was receiving a check-up, was seen as a conciliatory move to further talks with North Korea.

Khmer Rouge terror keeps up pressure on Phnom Penh

From James Pringle IN BANGKOK

THE Khmer Rouge have an expression for the kind of attack they made on a train outside the southern port city, Kompong Som, last week, in which 50 people were killed.

They call it "oxidising iron" spreading dust across the enemy's infrastructure", according to a recent defector. The aim is to destabilise the Vietnam-backed government here by hitting at its lines of communication and kill-

ing or capturing its officials. It was the third attack on a train this year, and particularly embarrassing for the Phnom Penh government because it happened

bodia's main port. The tactic was classic. Mines were detonated under two flatbed cars, then the Khmer Rouge closed in and opened fire with shotguns and other small arms.

Although details are still sketchy, many more than the reported 50 people are likely to have been killed. The flatbed cars are supposed to run empty but those travelling across Cambodia this week were crammed with people carrying goods for sale in the capital.

Mines are a favourite Khmer Rouge weapon, from the small ones that blow off a limb to the powerful version used in this attack. "We say that the mine is a soldier told his captors. "It does not need food, or sleep and it is always standing sentinel."

In another incident last week, 400 beavily armed Khmer Rouge fighters entered a village on the strategic Highway Three linking the capital with another port, Kampot, east of Kompong Som.

The guerrillas told the villagers the Vietnamese army had not left Cambodia. They said the villagers should not allow their sons to enlist in the army, but should join the "liberation struggle of the national army" of the Khmer Rouge. At gunpoint, the guerrillas "cleaned out the village of rice and foodstriff".

The futility of resistance was

demonstrated by Tap Jon, a small farmer in northwest Cambodia. Another group of guerrillas entered the village of So Nichon, 30 miles north of Siem Reap, and demanded rice.

"They had come several times before and we could not afford to keep handing it over as we are poor ourselves and need to eat," the farmer said. He is in Siem Reap hospital with leg and arm wounds. When he refused to give any rice, the Khmer Rouge opened fire, killing his wife, wounding him and shooting his 20-year-old daughter in the foot. Her leg was

The Khmer Rouge do not always use violence. At times they pay for rice with gold or American

later amoutated at the knee.

films on portable video equipment; or they kill local officials; or they release officials once they have been "re-educated".

The overall Khmer Rouge leader, Pol Pot, is said to have ordered a "velvet glove" approach to win popular support in rural areas in western Cambodia. Ta Mok, the one-legged Khmer Rouge military commander in northern Cambodia, believes in force and terror, which contributed to a million deaths when the Khmer Rouge ruled Cambodia from 1975 to late 1978. Already 120,000 rural people have been displaced by Khmer Rouge activity.

As the international community tries to push the warring factions

dollars. Sometimes they show to a settlement, the Khmer Rouge and Phnom Penh are preparing new defences for when the wet season ends next month.

Diplomatic sources here say the Phnom Penh army, which was plagued by indiscipline a few months ago, has improved.

The parlous state of the economy is perhaps the biggest threat facing the government as Soviet aid is cut back. A West European diplomat, who visits Phnom Penh frequently, said: "The Khmer Rouge cannot take over the country by military means. But they can do so if there is a collanse of the economy and a vacuum at the centre. The Khmer Rouge is the only organised group that could

Malaysia premier in close run poll

From REUTER IN KUALA LUMPUR

AN OPPOSITION alliance was running neck and neck with Malaysia's ruling coalition in first results of parliamentary elections, officials said last night.

The ten-member ruling coalition, headed by Mahathir Mohamed, the prime minister, and the opposition alliance headed by his arch-rival and former finance minister. Razaleigh Hamzah, had won ten seats each, while two independent candidates gained one seat each. Mr Razaleigh said: "I feel good. I think we will form the next government and take quite a

All the initial results were from the Borneo states of Sarawak and Sabah. A total of 180 parliamentary seats, and 351 seats in the legislative assemblies of 11 of Malaysia's 13 states, are being

All the ten seats won so far by the opposition in Sabah state came from the tribally based, predominantly Christian Bersatu Sabah party which defected from Dr Mahathir's coalition last Monday. The multi-racial coalition needs to win 90 seats to form the government and 120 to gain a two-thirds majority - needed to push through key bills in parliament.

Analysts say that the election, called a year ahead of schedule, poses the biggest test yet for the ruling National Front coalition. The analysis had expected Dr Mahathir, aged 64, who took office in 1981, to return to power for a third term but said he could

be denied a two-thirds majority. Dr Mahathir campaigned for continuity and stability to ensure economic progress, while the opposition urged voters to "save Malaysia" from human rights abuses and corruption.

About eight million of Malaysia's 17.4 million population were eligible to vote in the polls, the eighth since independence in 1957. Officials said that despite rain in some areas, up to 70 per cent of voters turned up to cast ballots in 14,645 polling stations. "The turnout this morning was quite encouraging, being the week-

end," one official said. Officials said that apart from complaints by some voters that their names were missing from the voting list, balloting was incidentfree. The polls were monitored by Commonwealth observers.



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The Thatcher factor at work

Ronald Butt

The Conservative defeat at Eastbourne, was hardly needed as evidence of the inclination of a majority of voters to see the end of Mrs Thatcher's government. The public mood has been clearly charted in opinion polls for at least 18 months and has been unambiguously displayed to the party's constituency workers by discontented former Tory voters. The loss of Eastbourne could, therefore, be dismissed as a one-day drama revealing nothing of new signifi-cance, especially as the seat, like so many others captured from the Tories by centre parties in byelections, will almost certainly be retaken at the general election.

As Kenneth Baker, the Tory chairman, was quick to point out, the Alliance captured Ryedale in 1986 by overcoming a similar Tory majority, and lost it in 1987 when the Tories won their third term. If statistical comparisons were mechanically applied to East-bourne it could be glibly asserted that the Tories will yet again overcome their reverses when the general election comes.

Yet the Eastbourne defeat is not to be so easily dismissed, since it has taken place against a political background fundamentally different from that existing at the time of Ryedale. The government then was in bad odour, suffering from the aftermath of the Westland affair and from the protests of voters unhappy with the slow speed of recovery from a recession that had been the temporary price of overcoming inflation. Un-employment still remained at over three million. Yet the public was deeply distrustful of Labour, whose self-reform had gone no-where near as far in 1986 as it has now. The third-party option of-fered by the Alliance, then in its heyday with around a third of voters' support, therefore seemed to offer a realistic alternative to the Conservatives.

At the time of Ryedale, however, the fundamental factor that determined the Tories' 1987 general election victory was already in place: inflation was down below 3 per cent and the seeds of economic recovery and boom were well set. It was a growth economy, and the rewards for past abstinence were signalled in the 1987 pre-election budget, both by tax cuts and extra government spending. People felt better off, and they were better off. So the election was won, and in the boom that followed unemployment did, indeed, fall rapidly.

Today, with the maximum period between Eastbourne and the general election only a few months more than that between Ryedale and the election of 1987, inflation is at 10.9 per cent, recession is now only beginning to be felt (instead of being at the end of its cycle, as it was in 1986), there is deep discontent with the government's social policies (from the poll tax to the financing of public services) and people are beginning to feel worse off because of high

mortgage interest rates and rising

At the same time, Labour has done so much to put its house in order that the Liberal Democrats are now no more than an optional extra facility for protest voters not yet ready to go all the way to Neil Kinnock. And he has gone so far in discarding traditional socialism that even the imprecision of so many of Labour's policies may not handicap his party as much as the Tories hope.

All this is evidence of something very like a sea-change in British politics, suggesting that the relevant comparison to be made with Eastbourne is not Ryedale but the loss of the safe Tory seat of Orpington in 1962. This is not to say that the Liberals will keep Eastbourne but that their victory may well be part of a similar political pattern to that which led to Labour's victory under Harold Wilson in 1964.

Orpington registered discontent with the Tories of voters not yet prepared to go all the way to Labour. But under Wilson's calming influence, many of them did so in the 1964 general election, though giving Labour an overall majority of only four seats. The Liberals, with some three million votes (though only nine seats), came tantalisingly in sight of holding the balance.

Something like this outcome looks increasingly in prospect for the general election, which will probably be held in 1992. (With the current mood of a section of the Labour party this could also mean an outside chance of an agreement on proportional representation.) Though most people are much better off than in 1979, that is a time not easily recalled, especially by younger voters. A voter aged 25 in 1992 will have been only 12 when Mrs Thatcher took power.

Over the past two years the government has had signals galore of the dangers over a whole range of its policies. It has shrugged them off. Warnings from those who most value its great achievements have been dismissed by Downing Street as signs of wimpishness. Justly or not, the critical public now associates this refusal to listen with Mrs Thatcher personally. It has increasingly come to regard the boom as something that most benefited the rich, and what is more the boom has ended. The question therefore follows, has she become more a liability than the great asset she was?

Yet there is no prospect of her standing down, and there are too many hotly contested issues in the Conservative party (Europe among them) for there to be peaceful agreement on a successor if she did. The Thatcher factor therefore will determine the outcome of the election, and only Mrs Thatcher herself can determine whether it is a winning or a losing card. Above all she needs both sceptisicm about past dogma and a willingness to listen.

...and moreover

MATTHEW PARRIS

"TOO MANY painters today base their work on a love of art rather than a love of life..."

Donald Young (1924-90).

My Uncle Don was not one of life's obvious high-livers. A lonely working-class boyhood behind him, he turned away from one class and never sought entrance to another. He stammered, and didn't like parties. Anyway, he had Joyce, and a few good friends, and chess.

He wouldn't sell his paintings and found promoting them unendurable. He just painted: from the day he left art school in 1947 he was painting, or fretting that he wasn't. The house in Beckenham was stacked, floor to ceiling: front room and back rooms, walls, stairs and corridors...four decades of Don's work. When he died there was a painting on the easel. It was all he cared for. He was not listening for the clink of the champagne glass or the braying of modish approval. Nobody cultivated him, few believed in him. Except my Auntie Joyce.

It cannot have been easy for a butcher's daughter to bring home a shy youth, a lighterman's son who had won a scholarship to Chelsea School of Art but whose work was hardly what my grandparents considered "art". Angular daubings with funny noses, whimsical things yet painfully intense.

I remember the whispers: "Joyce can draw. Her birds really look like birds. But she doesn't draw much now." My aunt, a schoolteacher, became the breadwinner.

They never had children. It was just Joyce and Don, the goldfish, Snowball the cat — the late Snowball — and, each year, more paintings. Now Don has gone: leaving Joyce, a house full of paintings and a new cat. The cat was indifferent to the paintings. The fish is no more. I mentioned the fish to Joyce. "It would have been his birthday this month," she said. The new cat died last week.

Joyce is 70. She has started a complete cataloguing of Don's work. As she points out, when a future age discovers Don, it will matter. Meanwhile she is spreading the word. She rang me to say she had arranged an exhibition at the Fairfield Halls

in Croydon that I must see before it closes next Friday.

I went. Nobody in the foyer knew about it. They directed me to the Croydon Art Society exhibition—where they had not heard of it either. "There's more upstairs," someone said, "but I don't recall the name Young." I went upstairs. The paintings (of the painstaking school), including one of the old Croydon airport control tower, were not by Don. I turned to go, glancing down an un-signposted corridor

hung with more pictures.

And spotted Snowball — my favourite painting, where he is a blizzardy blur, tangling a ball of wool that grandma and Joyce are trying to wind: a wonderful picture, to me.

Joyce had arranged the whole show. Things Don had written had been typed, and posted up with the pictures. Wall cards told you about Don's career. Each painting was titled, and some of his best were there: the chess game "when Joyce won despite non-adherence to elementary principles". And two powerful self-portraits. After an hour with them, Don's presence seemed to grow.

Sometimes people passed the corridor and, for Don's sake, 1 willed somebody — anybody — to stop and admire. Nobody even glanced. Snowball, still tangled in his wool, winked across at humorous figures sketched in oils in Don's teasing way. Could he see? Did he mind that nobody looked?

Through glass doors two elderly men discussed Croydon airport control tower, of which they approved. "Yes." said one in a bowls-club blazer. "a lot of work has gone into that. You can see each stone." He peered towards Don's territory. "What's over there?"

I heard Don's stammer, behind my shoulder: "Don't bother!" — almost pleading — "you honestly won't like it." "Don't bother," said the bowl-

ing gent's friend. "Picasso sort of stuff." They turned and left. Snowball resumed his game. Don smiled with relief. He did not need these people. He only needed Joyce... and Snowball, who was concentrating on the

wool and unconcerned with art.

Anatole Lieven sees this week's election doing nothing to put Pakistan's house in order

Will Benazir outwit the generals?

Pakistan's general election on Wednesday, precipitated by the dismissal of Benazir Bhutto's government in August, is unlikely to turn out as the generals hoped. They had reckoned on voters turning away from her Pakistan People's Party by the million because of her administration's inept performance and the desertion of many of her MPs in the face of the army's show of strength.

In the event, defections have been few, and barring massive rigging by the "caretaker" government, the PPP will almost certainly remain the largest single party. Popular disillusionment with alleged PPP corruption has largely been cancelled out by public anger over the manner of the government's dismissal.

Concrete evidence of corruption has proved hard to find, but Miss Bhutto's husband, Asif Zardari, now under arrest, is vulnerable. To strengthen his hand against both Miss Bhutto and an admirably impartial judiciary, President Ghulam Ishaq Khan has taken the power to transfer any

case from any court in Pakistan to another, at any stage in the proceedings: if Mr Zardari looks like getting off, the president will simply find another judge.

Should the PPP come out on top on Wednesday, some forces in the establishment are reported to have asked Miss Bhutto to cede the prime ministership to someone more acceptable to the army, in return for the charges against her bushand being downed.

husband being dropped.

That would be a compromise acceptable to many PPP supporters, but Miss Bhutto is unlikely to agree. The generals would not allow her to dominate a government from behind the scenes.

Contrary to popular belief, the deep hostility to Miss Bhutto in the establishment stems only

the establishment stems only partly from her being a woman. "Islamist" ideas do not yet predominate in the army high command and senior bureaucracy, which retain vestiges of the British-Indian tradition. More important is hereditary dislike of her family and anger at her interference in military and bureaucratic appointments. But perhaps the

main reason for her dismissal is her support for the native Sindis of her home province in the violence against Mohajir immigrants from post-independence India that has left hundreds dead.

Given the weakness of the Islamic Democratic Alliance, the main opposition to the PPP, the army may have no choice but to seek a compromise with Miss Bhutto if it does not want to take over directly. This could perhaps be achieved by Miss Bhutto's agreement to an institutionalised government role for the army through a national security council that would deal with internal conflicts such as that in Sind.

Senior PPP members have indicated that such a council would be acceptable, but many party workers, especially in Sind, would regard it as a betrayal. Some of Miss Bhutto's advisers say that in view of the internal divisions of any non-PPP government, and appalling economic problems that can only be aggravated by the high price of oil, the PPP should stay in opposition and wait for the army to call it back.

If the elections are rigged, or a PPP victory is brushed aside, Pakistan could suffer a cut in American aid. Miss Bhutto's mother, Begum Nusrat Rhutto — who once fiercely denounced "American imperialism" — is currently in Washington lobbying for support for the PPP. Well aware of the danger, General Aslam Baig, the army chief of staff, recently denounced "superpower interference" in Pakistan's in-

ternal affairs.

To some extent, however, President Bush is in the generals' hands. Just as Washington swallowed General Zia's rule because of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, so Mr Bush needs Pakistani support against Iraq. The purse strings can hardly be cut after the generals offer of tens of thousands of troops for a pan-Islamic force, should they be required.

Pakistan's underlying problem is that both the existing political blocs, and the military, are based on family or sectional interests that have proved incapable of generating co-ordinated efforts to develop the country.

Even General Zia, supposedly an autocrat, had to squander the bonanza of American aid during the Afghan war to buy support from the political classes. The chance to develop the country's infrastructure under the iron heel of military dictatorship was lost, perhaps for good.

Without a co-ordinated effort, however, Pakistan faces a grim future. By the year 2000, the population will grow by almost 50 per cent. Already unemployment among educated youth is the biggest engine of conflict in Sind; the country's farmers could not feed such numbers. The scale of the problem, and the failure of existing political society, is likely to foster belief in what might be called an Islamic-fascist solution. particularly among junior officers who might eventually throw off their ingrained obedience to their superiors. If Pakistan were ethnically homogenous, that might work. In a nation riven as it is, it looks more like a recipe for quick suicide in place of the creeping rot offered by Miss Bhutto and the

Something stirring, if only for our great-grandchildren







f you were seeking the least romantic man in the realm, you would look for him first among the ranks of the spokesmen of Leicestershire county council, and you would be reasonably certain that your search would not be in vain.

search would not be in vain.

What, then, would you think if you read, coming from precisely that source, these words: "It ... gives people a visionary feel." A visionary feel? From Leicestershire county council? Nay, from a spokesman for Leicestershire county council? I think you would at least be sufficiently intrigued to learn more about this official and

his vision.

But when you discovered what this particular vision encompassed, so great would be your astonishment that you would inevitably think you were being hoaxed. For a recent article in this paper, by Craig Seton, has revealed that there is afoot a serious and apparently feasible proposal to plant in the Midlands an entirely new forest, 150 square miles in area, which would be bigger than Birmingham and Coventry put together and would stretch lengthwise from Uttoxeter to Leicester and width Teach

Lichfield to Burton-on-Trent.

If that does not engage your imagination until your hair stands on end, you must be bald. But it is not a hoax: no one could possibly believe that the Countryside Commission, from which the news emanates, would indulge in such impropriety. Moreover, the environment secretary has given the proposal his imprimatur, and — rather more valuable than his imprimatur — enough money to see that the thing is done.

Bernard Levin praises plans to plant a new forest in the Midlands—and invites suggestions for its name

The Countryside Commission had scoured the land to find an area sufficiently short of trees for the plan, and found five, two of which are sufficiently romantic already, based as they are on, respectively, Sherwood Forest and the Forest of Arden ("Where they fleet the time carelessly, as they did in the golden world"). But the present site, which it seems has fewer trees than most of the rest of the country, carried the day.

And what a day: I can hardly wait for it to dawn, though I shall not see it completed, for the planting alone will take 30 years, and the forest will not come to full maturity for 100. That fact in itself stirs the blood, for to think of a project that will not be finished in one's own lifetime, or indeed in that of two or three generations vounger, is a marvellously calming experience. It has that quality primarily because it is based on nature, which cannot be hurried, unlike man-made things; there are many huge projects, such as manned flights to the sun, which will take many decades in the creating, but they will not have the nating that nature, and nature alone, can provide. Why, one day, even that foolish old dream of digging a tunnel between Britain and France will be attempted, though of course it will prove a white elephant and lose all the

billions it costs.

No such fate will befall the forest, even though it is a project

initiated and cultivated by man. There are man-made dangers, of course; already there is talk of "assisting tourism" and the idea has even been described as "a draw to quality investment". So far from assisting tourism, there should be signs on all the roads leading to any part of the new forest, in all the languages of the earth, to the effect that it is over-run by particularly savage wolves and exceptionally poisonous snakes, and no investment of any kind should be permitted if there is the slightest possibility of it producing a profit. There is also the inevitable chatter about the forest being "part of the nation's contribution to combating global warming", but that is harmless and can be ignored.

The prospectus says that half of the area will be under trees, the other half comprising fields, villares and towns. I am uneasy about the towns; suppose they looked like Birmingham or smelt like Burton-on-Trent? Let us insist that there shall be no village with more than, say, a thousand inhabitants, and for safety's sake none of these should be less than 10 miles from any other. "Some commercial timber operations" are mentioned: I am not implacebly opposed to these - after all. clearing fallen trees and lopping crowded ones are part of forestry conservation - but I insist that the business is scrupulously run and very closely monitored.

All that, though, is nothing but the practical aspect of what is intended. The important part is ours - ours to wonder at, and to imagine ourselves, or our greatgrandchildren, wandering through a forest that men had conceived and planted, and that nature, needing no further instructions, had completed. Think of the birds, for a start; they will not need any guidance, let alone thoughts of quality investment, to take up residence. Look up; if you are sharp-eyed enough, you may see a nest, but in any case you will hear them singing, and in any case you will see the light on the leaves and branches, in an infinite variety of combinations, every one a thing of beauty. (I was delighted to learn, years ago, that nature has arranged matters so that on every tree every leaf is assured a measure of sunshine; none is permitted to be hidden from the light altogether. I believe that Corot was * ? first painter who made use of this

amazing truth.)
Rabbits and hares, foxes and squirrels will abound, and if the human beings in the area have enough sense to leave strictly alone the habitat (now inelegantly called the biosphere, or even the eco-system, but who would think to plant a tree, let alone a forest, in an eco-system?) their numbers will stabilise, so that myxamatosis will be needed only for the tourists, should the alarming signposts not deter them.

But there is better still to come. We are assured that the forest will consist of mainly broadleaved trees (that "mainly" will have to be regularly examined). The wonderful idea of a brand new forest may be thought of as the contrition and penance required of the Forestry Commission, which for decades has been determined to cover every square inch of this country, not excluding Oxford Circus, York Minster and Coniston Water, in their pestilent conifers. If there is no backstiding, the forest may grant them absolution.

What name shall it have? We must in no circumstances follow the wretched solution devised for the National Theatre, where a preposterous vanity was permitted to name two of the NT's three auditoriums respectively after the long-forgotten mother of an unimpressive Tory cabinet minister, and one of those useful workhorses — among his countless credits was the chairmanship of Battersea dogs' home (well, somebody has to be) — who has not so much been forgotten as little heard of in the first place.

of in the first place. I suppose the search for a name could make a nationwide competition, though the judges would have to be very carefully chosen, lest they decide on Gazza. An appealing solution would be to take the most romantic or charming village name in the area and use that; is there a Weddingportion Culbampton or a Vicar's Beckoning somewhere about? But surely the best solution is before our eyes, at any rate if we have a volume of Shakespeare open before us. Why not just call it Another Part of the Forest?

Top-people litter louts

ountaineer Chris Bonington has identified the ultimate high-altitude challenge: the ascent of Mount Everest by an expedition equipped with enough refuse bags to clear it of discarded rubbish.

The conqueror of Everest and many other Himalayan peaks is appalled by what he calls the "thoughtless desecration" of mountains the world over by climbers who leave a trail of debris in their wake. "Everest is the highest junkyard in the world," he says. "It is littered with discarded tins, tents, food and empty ovygen tanks. There is so much up there that a full-scale expedition will be needed to remove it,"

Although admitting that he is not entirely blameless, Bonington hopes that by highlighting the state of Everest he will shame fellow mountaineers into disposing of their waste.

He cites the tins, bottles and

plastic containers strewn around the base camp at the foot of the Diamir face of Nanga Parhat in the Himalayas, which he has just visited while making a BBC television series. He took photographs to identify the nationalities of the culprits by the labels on the packaging and has sent copies to all the major mountaineering magazines in the world.

"Climbers should take the trouble to crush and bury tins and collect their litter for disposal when they get down," he says, "When you come to a beautiful, untouched place you should leave it in the state in which you found it. Unless we start changing our habits we shall destroy the mountain environment. What is happening in the Himalayas is a microcism of what is happening in the rest of the world."

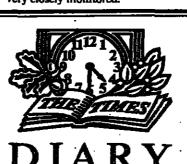
Although Bonington supports the dispatch of a clean-up team to Everest, at 56 he has no plans to lead it. A pity. The prospect of Bonington inching upwards with a custom-built skip on his back would surely encourage bigmoney sponsorship.

Taking a bow-wow

riends and colleagues of Sir Anthony Quayle, who died of cancer a year ago, will take the stage of the Theatre Royal, Haymarket, on Sunday to pay him tribute and to help the Motor Neurone Disease Association. They will include Dame Peggy



Ashcroft. Sir Alec Guinness and Robert Hardy. But the star of the show will undoubtedly be Sir Anthony's Jack Russell terrier.



Tiger, who will make his stage debut playing Crab from Two Gentlemen of Verona. Ignoring the old theatre maxim that one should never play opposite children or animals. Clive Francis, as Lance the clown, will recite to him.

The dog's new owner. Compass Theatre administrator Julian Forrester, is confident that Tiger will take the performance in his stride. "He is very much a theatre dog, and I'm sure he will be able to handle the applause."

Scrumdown

Peter Hain, scourge of all things South African, suggested on this page on Saturday that the de Klerk reforms warrant a trial resumption of sporting links with the outside world, provided the South African teams are truly multiracial.

Is it a genuine change of heart, or one dictated by political expediency? Richard Evans, prospective Conservative candidate for Neath — which Hain is to contest for Labour — suspects the latter. Winner of three national championships last season, Neath is to rugby what Liverpool is to soccer,

and Evans says Hain has been

getting a lot of doorstep flak from rugby supporters (that means everyone from six months up) who accuse him of being partly responsible for denying them visits by the Springboks.

"His sudden change of heart

dates from coming down here, knocking on doors and being confronted by people — already against him for being an outsider — who believe that politics and sport should never be allowed to mix. He is now going overboard to convince people he has shed his old convictions."

Not worth nicking

ichael Robinson, former keeper of pictures at the National Maritime Museum and author of a new two-volume catalogue of the works of the two Van de Veldes, fears that one of the best-known pictures attributed to the Dutch artists, hanging in the Queen's House at Greenwich, is not original.

Greenwich, is not original.

"The Royal visit to the fleet in the Thames estuary, 5 June 1672" was commissioned by Charles II from the Dutch father-and-son team. It was acquired by the Greenwich museum in the 1930s and described as the original, but Robinson, whose catalogue of the Van de Veldes is the result of 60 years of research, says: "My feeling now is that it is not quite well enough painted."

David Cordingly, head of presentations at Greenwich, does not dispute Robinson's opinion. Michael is the fountainhead of all knowledge about the Van de Veldes, and if he believes this is not by the hands of the masters, that is the case. But it is still an important historical document.

This might reduce its value, but we are pretty relaxed about it."
Such a laid-back attitude is commendable. London art dealer Rodney Omell, who specialises in maritime pictures, says: "If that is the case, instead of half a million, it probably would not fetch more than £100,000."

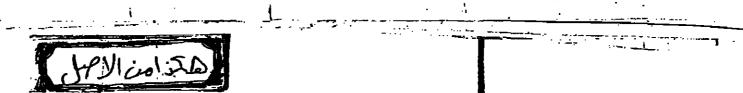
Deux livres de livres The quintessentially British

notion of a small country town with a choice of second-hand bookshops has been exported to France. Richard Booth, who set up the first of 25 book emporiums at Hay-on-Wyc 30 years ago, has moved to Montolieu in the Pyrenees. To the delight of Gallic buyers and browsers alike he has just opened, on two days a week, the hamlet's first second-hand bookshop.

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"The French have yet to experience a book town such as Hay-on-Wye," says Booth. "I hope other booksellers will follow me to Montolieu — indeed, six or seven have already made soundings." He also hopes that other small shops that have nothing to do with books will follow. "In Hay-on-Wye, there are eight times more small shops than in neighbouring towns of similar size."

Neil Kinnock's lip-stretching roar of laughter when an enraged Margaret Thatcher branded him a crypto-communist at question time last week was not the masterful gesture of disdain identified by the parliamentary scribes. It seems that in the din the Labour leader never actually heard the slur. It was only when he returned to his office, and his lace resumed its normal composure, that he was told what she had said.



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PAY AND THE PUBLIC

The government has a private sector pay policy. ERM is its name. The exchange rate mechanism inhibits devaluation of the curreacy, and so British firms who pay their employees too much will not be able to compete with foreign firms. For Michael Howard, the employment secretary, the trick is to make people see that pay restraint is in their interest because their own jobs are at risk. As policies go, this just about passes muster, at the cost of some oversimplification of the real world. The same cannot be said of the government's policy towards public sector pay.

This policy does not rely on a pay norm. Reports that the government was aiming for a 7 per cent pay target for its employees this winter are exaggerated, though it wants negotiators to assume a 7 per cent inflation rate. The policy for the public sector, Mr Howard said yesterday, is based on cash limits. Too much

pay will mean cuts and lost jobs.

During this decade, the policy has been reasonably successful in holding down the pay of public employees. In the year to April, central government earnings rose by only 7 per cent (though earnings in local government went up by 11 per cent). This compared with 9.1 per cent in the private sector. Since 1981, and the end of comparability, public sector pay has steadily lost ground to that in the private sector. But the cost of that limited success has

been enormous. What happens in the public sector is that monopoly unions sit down with monopoly employers to construct cosy deals. Sometimes, the price of a high settlement is a declining level of service. At others, they are content with a more modest settlement, hanging onto the quiet life at the expense of changing work. practices to improve services. In many public sector organisations, investment is repeatedly cut to make room for centrally-determined pay awards. Pay rises as a proportion of total costs. In consequence, more and more public expenditure does not buy correspondingly improved public services. Moreover, in the

public sector, decisions as to who should be paid relatively more, and who relatively less, become distorted by politics.

The government always finds scope to pay more to the police. Establishing its law-andorder credentials matters, even though police effectiveness in doubt. Firemen enjoy a formula linking them to the top quarter of average earnings; even this, The Times reports today, fails to dissuade some of them from defrauding the public through spurious injury claims. And any group that takes industrial action for long enough, boasts a plausible cause and has a cogent spokesman can be sure of partial victory, as the ambulancemen proved earlier this year.

Meanwhile senior civil servants, whose cause is not popular, are paid too little and made too secure. Awards from the pay review bodies, for doctors and nurses, judges and the armed forces, are for ever being rephased to keep down the cost to the Exchequer. The illusion of restraint is achieved, but only at a cost to the morale of those involved and to the integrity of the ministerial conjurers. This is no way to run a railroad, or a post office, or a

central government. Only the naive believe that a perfect policy for public sector pay exists. But the ingredients for the best practicable policy are clear, and should be entirely acceptable to present ministers. The further privatisation goes, and the more competition to which privatised organisations are exposed, the better. Firmness in negotation over the total sums available should be matched with flexibility in rewarding groups who genuinely contribute to greater efficiency. Market criteria such as recruitment, retention and motivation should be given priority over political considerations; that means a continuing devolution of pay negotiations away from the national level.

Above all, ministers should keep negotiations at arm's length. Those who cannot keep their hands off invariably end up with burnt

IN SYRIA'S SHADOW

When Lebanese and Syrian troops finally forced General Michel Aoun to flee the presidential palace last weekend Lebanon's president, Elias Hrawi, proclaimed a "new dawn" and promised an ending to Lebanon's 15 years of civil war. Yet even before vesterday's assassination of the prominent Christian leader Dany Chamoun and his family, the dawn was already stained Lebanon's characteristic blood-red. Among other atrocities, Syrian forces last week murdered around 200 of the general's captured troops, putting into perspective President Hrawi's demand that the French embessy surrender General Aoun to face trial for war crimes.

Last week's operation, intended to be a surgical strike, was successful in its main aim of ending General Aoun's hopeless 18-month crusade to drive Syria from Lebanon. The barricades along the Green Line dividing Christian east Beirut from the Muslim west have already come down. But all surgery in Lebanon has a way of developing post-

operative complications. Will this happen again? General Aoun's departure removes one barrier to unifying the country along the lines of the constitutional compromise agreed, under Arab League sponsorship, at the Saudi resort of Taif a year ago. But the gain should not be exaggerated. General Aoun's challenge has long been a fiction. The Christians controlled only a fraction of Lebanon and General Aoun only a small area within it. Military victory over 40,000 Syrian troops was never within his reach, unless he could draw western powers into the fray. This year, his men have devoted

most energy to fighting the militia of his Christian rival, Dr Samir Geagea. President Hrawi's proclaimed priorities are bringing all Beirut under central government control and dismantling Lebanon's militias. That will be difficult. Lebanon's political system and civil institutions, from rubbish collection to security, have been all but destroyed. There have been no elections for 18 years and the real political leaders are those who head the militias: the Druze, the rival

Christian groups and, among the Shia, the mutually hostile forces of Hezbollah and the Amal militia led by Nabih Berri. Other assorted gunmen backed by Syria roam Beirut.

President Hrawi would also like to establish his government as something more than Syria's puppet. But the hard truth is that he can only do so with President Assad's tacit permission. To assert the government's authority, the weak Lebanese army needs Syrian backing. Syria enjoys unwonted freedom of manoeuvre in present circumstances. Iraq's invasion of Kuwait has given Syria, as Iraq's enemy, temporary carte blanche in Lebanon. Iran, which finances the Hezbollah, is in supportive mood. Israel's ability to react is constrained by the need to maintain as low a profile as possible. So Syria is free for the moment to use its power to incorporate Lebanon, as President Assad has always wanted, into "Greater Syria".

Realpolitik may none the less incline President Assad to a more circumspect exercise of Syrian begemony. That is not only because improved relations with the west, which supports the Taif agreement, are important to Syria. The Beirut militias are not the only forces with which the Syrians would have to contend if they contemplated annexation. Iraq, which supported General Aoun, would encourage the 10,000-strong Palestinian militia in Sidon, just to the south of Beirut, to turn an outright bid for control of Lebanon into a bloodbath. Finally, a revival of Lebanese prosperity would help the Syrian economy.

If Syria permits it, the Taif accords have a chance. Having buried more than 100,000 dead, most Lebanese would prefer any order, even that imposed under Syria's shadow, to continued fighting. The accords provide a basis for civil peace. They go some way to meeting the grievances of Lebanon's Muslim majority by diluting Christian political hegemony, while providing the Christians with safeguards. For the moment peace, or near-peace, in Lebanon would be prize enough, even brokered by Syria. President Hrawi must work with the forces available to him, and the devil he knows.

JUSTICE V LAWYERS

In principle, all are equal before the law, but in Britain, too many people are deterred from seeking any form of legal redress. Legal fees, unpredictable in advance of any case, can turn out to be crippling. Those who qualify for legal aid from the state have their fees paid in full. Those with incomes just above the legal aid threshold receive not a penny. The case for making better use of public money is clear.

Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Chancellor, has responded by setting up the most wide-ranging review of legal aid that the scheme has seen in its 40 years of existence. He intends to tackle two problems: the inability of many middle-income people to afford litigation, and the rapidly escalating cost to

government of the legal aid scheme. Michael Murphy, of the London School of Economics, calculated last year that since 1979 as many as 14.8 million more people, or 5.5 million households, had become ineligible for civil legal aid. Yet while deserving people fail to qualify for legal aid, the scheme's cost has doubled over the past five years to £715 million gross (some £600 million net). This rate of increase is higher than that for public spending on health and social security. Because legal aid is demand-led - that is, available as of right to anyone below the financial threshold -

the cost, in theory, is limitless. Spending without a ceiling does not, of course, endear itself to the Treasury. Hence the pressure on Lord Mackay to opt for a cap on the legal aid budget. He has already warned that the scheme is not an "unconditional blank cheque from the taxpayer". None the less, like spending on prisons, legal aid cannot easily be capped. How could a government justify the mequity of supporting one litigant while

another, on the same income, and with as good a case, goes without? Or of cutting off legal aid in October because the scheme has run out of money for that year?

The government, through the legal aid scheme, is a powerful consumer and should be able to demand better value for money from the legal profession. In crown courts, for instance, lawyers are paid by the hour, giving them an incentive to let cases drag on for as long as possible. In magistrates' courts, there is now a fixed legal aid fee for certain types of work. This could be extended to a large section of crown court work, albeit with exceptions for the more time-consuming cases.

The review is also, wisely, considering making legal aid more widely available in some areas and less in others. For instance, it may recommend that anyone, regardless of means, should receive legal aid for personal injury cases. Such an extension would cost little, since most legally-aided personal injury actions are successful, and so recover their costs. The review may also recommend providing legal aid in divorce cases only when all other avenues have been exhausted. If both these changes were accepted, legal aid would be channelled to those who need it more.

The government will never be able fully to compensate the middle-income losers in Britain's legal system. Only the lawyers can help to ensure that all those who have a good case in law can afford to pursue it. Private fees have to come down. Wasteful double-manning must be abolished. The review should make no bones about the inequity of restrictive practices and demand a positive contribution from the lawyers themselves. The law should serve justice, not the interests of the legal profession.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student worry over poll tax

From Miss Harriet Emerson Sir, It would appear that recovery of poll tax debts is to become yet another burden on the already overstretched funding of, initially, the Scottish education system and potentially that of the whole of the

Whilst we must hope that the Scottish Education Department (SED) is successful in its attempt to challenge the validity of regional councils arresting tuition fees (report, October 18), there exists considerable doubt even in some legal minds as to whether this may be achieved.

Should the arrestments be up-

held as valid then students will be subject to more draconian measures than any other poll tax defaulter. Moreover such a result would effectively transfer the onus for pursual of the community charge on to the individual educational establishments. This would be a wholly inappropriate function for such bodies and would involve them in costly administration they can ill afford.

It is impossible to predict whether a situation of this sort would in reality translate to the halting of an individual's academic participation until the debt was settled or mean more serious underfunding for the educational provisions of students overall. It would certainly increase the al-ready great difficulty in providing adequate education from a declining unit of resource within individual institutions.

Natural justice would suggest that if educational material may not be used in warrant sales to cover poll tax debts, tuition fees should be beyond arrestment.

Possibly the most alarming danger should arrestments occur is the precedent that would then be set for further debt collection by this procedure. The Government's system of student financial support involving student loans and loss of social security benefits by the majority means that student debt is increasing at an alarming rate. As such, should the SED's challenge fail we will surely see an increased drop out amongst students as the value of education in Britain is still further undermined. Yours faithfully,

HARRIET EMERSON (President, Students' Representative Council), University of Aberdeen, Luthuli House 50/52 College Bounds, Aberdeen. October 18

God and Mammon From the Reverend Christopher

Sir, There is too much evidence, in the New Testament as well as in the Old, about the importance of the "easy way out" postulated either by Mrs Jo Brogden of Lincoln Cathedral ("spirituality and commercialism do not sit happily side by side", report October 13) or by the Dean and Chapter of St Paul's Cathedral, who have said that their moneymaking chief executive must also

Jesus did not say "There is no room for God and Mammon" in his kingdom, but that we could not serve them both.

Just now and then I come across churches which are putting their spirituality on the market. They are offering what they were always meant to offer, free salvation - as opposed to cheap imitations which people know instinctively is very costly; then, both fabric and faith are well looked after.

Yours truly, CHRISTOPHER FENTON, Under Down, Ledbury, Herefordshire. October 13.

Amateur archaeology From Mr Andrew Selkirk

Sir, It is not just the arts that need an amateur revival (article, September 26; letters, October 5); in archaeology the situation is equally pressing
The Council for Independent

Archaeology has recently been formed to encourage independent archaeology - that is, archaeology independent of government funding. I am sure we would welcome the opportunity to make common cause with the Voluntary Art Network, and indeed the whole of the voluntary movement. Yours faithfully

ANDREW SELKIRK (Chairman), Council for Independent Archaeology, 9 Nassington Road, NW3.

Education problems From Mr B. V. West Sir, If West Germany's GNP is

somewhat greater than ours (which by all accounts is the case), then Dr Keith Hampson's figures on education funding (October 8) will show that the UK is spending less per capita on education than Germany.

His statement that Labour underfunding of education in 1976 caused a fall in the proportion of 18-year-olds entering higher education will not wash. As I recall, this was a period when generous funding as compared with today was available to such students, so there must have been other factors responsible. Yours faithfully,

BRIAN V. WEST. 77 Beechwood Avenue. Woodley, Reading, Berkshire.

From the Headmaster of The Perse School, Cambridge Sir, Now is perhaps the time to

Cheap credit and housing market

From the Director-General of the **Building Societies Association** Sir, Your leader (October 17) concerning "cheap credit" seems to be based on a fundamental misunderstanding of the housing market. It suggests that in 1988 British householders borrowed £42.7 billion "allegedly for the purpose of buying and improving ousing", whereas they spent only £18.2 billion on housing investment and home improvements. the remaining amount being spent on consumer goods, holidays, investments and even second

homes abroad. All but a small fraction of the £42.7 billion was, indeed, spent on the purchase and improvement of housing, and of this £18.2 billion was received by house builders and those contractors engaged in home improvements.

The remaining £24.5 billion was largely received by people selling houses, for example, those inherit-ing the estates of their parents and elderly people moving down market on their retirement. Equity withdrawal largely results not from those taking out loans but rather from those selling houses and not purchasing new ones.

It follows from what I have said that your suggested remedies are questionable. It can hardly be an attractive approach to suggest that banks and building societies should restrain remortgaging because remortgaging is not a significant cause of equity with-

Your objective is to ensure that remortgages used to finance con-sumer spending are treated the same way as any other consumer loans. For tax purposes they are treated in the same way. You suggest that it is absurd that the householder using his home as collateral to buy a car should pay less for this money than ICI or Shell, I am sure that ICI or Shell can raise money on terms every bit as good as a householder, if they can offer equivalent collat-

Surely the rate of interest on a loan must depend on the risk attaching to that loan not the use to which the loan is put, something which cannot always be ascertained?

Yours faithfully, M. J. BOLÉAT. Director-General, The Building Societies Association, 3 Savile Row, W1.

From Mrs Hilary Northcroft Sir, Thank you for bringing to attention the relationship between the housing market and the inflationary boom and for proposing measures to prevent recurrence should interest rates fall. Indeed,

Press complaints From Mr R. Borzello

Sir. I refer to your report (October 17) on the new Press Complaints Commission and the comment by Mr Andreas Whittam Smith, editor of The Independent, that thirdparty complaints are a "waste of time and money" and that the commission should deal with "real complaints". The proposal is that in future only those "directly affected" by a newspaper's story will be allowed to make a complaint to the commission about that story.

In the past six years I have made some 220 third-party complaints to the Press Council. My complaints have been concerned mainly with racism when the information is not relevant But I have also complained about invasion of privacy, sexism and the misuse of the power of the press by

Broadcasting bill

Sir, With all the attention given to the impartiality debate in relation to the Broadcasting Bill there is the possibility of overlooking the loss of a long-standing proviso that television services educate as well as entertain and inform,

Education was a fundamental pillar of the establishment of the BBC and commercial television companies. The British broadcast system has been held in great esteem around the world and is seen as a paragon of quality in its schools, higher education and general education service to soci-

Soon after the current bill was introduced it was realised that the lack of statutory provision meant that the new commercial television companies would easily be able to chase the pound by entertaining with no reference to educating. The new Independent Television Commission will not

produce an increasing string of intelligent, convincing and above all clear directives on examination policy.

My proposal is to replace all existing GCE A-level, GCSE and BTec examinations with one single, compulsory examination to be taken by all pupils at 18. This would sweep aside all the outmoded traditional subject disciplines, and replace them with a single examination in interpersonal skills, widely acknowledged as the only skill that will see Britain through 1992, the greenhouse effect and the Apocalypse.

The advantages of this system should be clear for all to see. At a stroke schools would be required to teach only one subject and hence have only one department, leading to a huge saving in cost.

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banks and building societies might better be persuaded to restrain their lending were their own employees subject to the same

interest rates as their borrowers. However, I believe that the present situation is a symptom of an underlying malignancy in our economy. Our best graduates are lured into the financial sector. where they are employed to devise and market sophisticated products, aimed at specific groups in the population, both individual and corporate, some of whom are vulnerable through lack of edu-

In this instance the government's commitment to home ownership was the pointer for the target group. The equity in the property market has now been milked. It has resulted in embarrassment for the government and much individual suffering. Third World loans, credit cards and company takeovers have similarly been exhausted.

But even now a new range of products is being launched at a fresh market sector as yet untapped. In the longer term only an improvement in educational standards will reduce the opportunity for the exploitation of the gullible

by the greedy. We "wrinklies" are the latest target group. The good news is we are apparently proving more difficult to dupe.

Yours faithfully, HILARY NORTHCROFT, Balcombe Farmhouse, Frittenden, Cranbrook, Kent.

October 18. From Mr G. M. Wedd Sir, The near-hysteria induced by the Budget decision in 1988 to end multiple mortgage relief five months later sucked forward latent demand which would otherwise have been spread over the following two years. Current mar-ket conditions are doing the opposite. I do not see much joy in this for the highly-borrowed. Yours faithfully.

GEORGE WEDD. The Lodge, Church Hill, High Littleton, Bristol, Avon.

From Mr W. Watson Sir, I read your editorial with great interest. The community creates the value of land. At the moment this value goes into the private purse, creating such abnormalities as you describe. Why not tax land values and let the community benefit from the value it creates? Yours sincerely, W. WATSON, The Print Studio.

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ally affected by them.

newspapers to punish its critics. According to Whittam Smith's definition, these were not "real complaints" as I was not person-

Yet 25 per cent of these complaints were adjudicated by the Press Council (the national average for adjudications is 10 per cent) and the majority were found in my favour against the newspapers concerned. If the Whittam Smith rule had been in force none of these complaints would have been heard although they obviously were based on newspaper stories which violated Press Council and national newspaper code

It is not only the public's right to complain when newspapers violate their own proclaimed guidelines, it is the public's duty. Yours sincerely, R. BORZELLÓ,

43 Camden Passage, N1. have the same powers as the IBA to insist such programmes are

From Mr M. A. Gienke shown. The Lords wisely amended the bill to safeguard the cherished educational programming on ITV, amending the Broadcasting Act. Recently David Mellor has indicated the government will seek to reverse this amendment, remove the educational programming requirement and remove the encouragement and

> vital service on this country's most popular broadcast channel. "Upon the education of the people of this country the fate of this country depends", said Disraeli. Through every available medium I would add, especially through commercial broadcasting which has proven to be so capable and adept at the task.

incentive for maintaining this

Yours faithfully MARTIN A. GIENKE (Chairman) Educational Television Association, The King's Manor, Exhibition Square, York.

Expensive laboratory and scientific equipment would no longer be required as, for example, pupils would no longer be required to explain the chemical reaction that took place when an egg was boiled, but instead be required to explain what it felt like to be the egg.

This does not require a bunsen burner. Indeed, it does not really require an egg. Traditionalists might argue that this new subject lacks a practical element, but an integral part of the syllabus would be to supply all pupils with one sheet of corrugated iron and several tons of newspaper, they then being required to build their classrooms with these materials.

I feel this proposal is the logical extension of all our recent advances in educational and examination theory, and have no hesitation in asking for your readers' support.

Yours faithfully MARTIN STEPHEN, The Perse School, Cambridge

Looking at ways of getting about

From Mr Sebasuan Kindersley Sir. In view of the calls made by Government. Opposition and by "green" groups is it feasible or realistic to start penalising cyclists by declaring city centres off-limits. to them during certain hours of the day as described in your report on October 18?

Here in Cambridge most students use cycles, as indeed do a significant part of the city's population. The problem we are faced with is three-fold: the serious traffic congestion caused by large buses (as so aptly shown in your photograph); lorries parked for loading or unloading in narrow streets and sheer volume of traffic: and the total lack of concern shown by both pedestrians and car drivers to cyclists. I have often had to brake sharply in order to avoid hitting prams, shoppers and tourists who launch themselves aimlessly into the road without so much as a glance either way.

In towns and cities local authorities should be doing all they possibly can to encourage cyclists: it can be a safe, clean. economical and attractive way to travel (how many fatalities per annum are caused by cyclists crashing into each other?) and in our environmentally conscious world what possible excuse can local authorities have for encouraging even more motor traf-

It is about time that local government officers took a hard look at their priorities for traffic: after all, with the enormous traffic jams they must find themselves in they have ample time in which to

do so. Yours etc. S. KINDERSLEY. 34 Cambanks, Union Lane, Cambridge.

From Mr Paul Magrath Sir. Recent visits to Holland and Germany have confirmed for me that this country has a long way to go before it can consider itself civilised in providing for cyclists.

This is a pity. Cycling is not only good for the environment but good for one's health too, unless you happen to be stuck behind an old bus (less than a quarter full for more than three quarters of the time) using up fossil fuels and emitting a thick black discharge of greenhouse gases.

Yours sincerely PAUL MAGRATH. 336 Westbourne Park Road, W11. October 16.

From Mr Mark Fillingham

Sir, I spent last weekend at Hoddesdon. By public transport it would have taken 10 minutes to walk to the bus stop, 15 minutes to train to Waterloo, 35 minutes to cross to Liverpool Street. 30 minutes to get to Broxbourne. 10 minutes by bus to Hoddesdon and a 20-minute walk to my destina-

I had with me an overhead projector, a box of audio recording equipment, a box of books, a box of materials for the conference I was attending, plus my own personal baggage: impossible to carry single-handed and justifiably

unpopular on a crowded vehicle. The total travelling time comes to almost three hours which, if realistic waiting time is included. brings the total to nearer four hours. By diesel car (at 50+ miles per gallon) it took less than an hour and a half, warm and dry. door to door, travelling at times which suited my other commit-

How could improving public transport assist in such a journey? Transport policies should not be adversely weighted against the road user on doctrinaire grounds. Yours etc.

MARK FILLINGHAM, 23 Wyndham Close. Yateley, Camberley, Surrey. October 17.

Dentists' contracts From Mr Ian Binder

Sir, Keith Osterloh (October 10) comments that the old dental contract did not allow dentists to refuse the more expensive treatments. He omits to explain that the dentist/patient contract was for a single course of treatment only, and once "reasonable dental fitness" had been achieved, dentists could legitimately decline to carry out the more complicated treatments under the NHS.

Under the new system, the dentist/patient contract is on-going, and therefore all forms of treatment must be offered on a continuing basis. This, in theory, is good for patients, but if the fees are inadequate (the already ludicrously low fee for a bridge has been reduced by £23) and the dental technicians are unable to increase their charges, then some-thing has to go. I fear this will be standards.

Yours faithfully, IAN BINDER. 45 The Chine. Muswell Hill, N10.

Plimsoll line

From Mrs M. Evans Sir, Recently I have come across a further endangered species. I refer to the genus "plain old-fashioned black lace-up plimsolls, gents, size nine" as opposed to the species "trainers" which has apparently completely ousted them. Yours faithfully,

M. EVANS, 19 Starmead Drive. Wokingham, Berkshire. JOEL McCREA



COURT CIRCULAR

Lieutenant-Colonel Scan

Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs were in attendance.

ST JAMES'S PALACE October 20: The Duchess of

Kent this afternoon attended a luncheon for Royal Ulster

October 21: The Princess Mar-

poser, Raiding, Hungary, 1811; Sarah Bernhardt, actress, Paris,

1844; Ivan Bunin, poet and novelist, Voronezh, Russia,

YORK HOUSE

BUCKINGHAM PALACE and met Regional Development October 20. The Duke of York, Officers. Colonel-in-Chief. The Stafford In the evening His Royal shire Regiment (The Prince of Highness attended a Reception Wales's) today opened the new at Arthur Bell Distillers. Perth Colonel-in-Chief. The Stafford-T & AVR Centre, Coltman and attended a Gala Musical

House, in Burton upon Trent.
His Royal Highness was reatre and was received by Her ceived by Colonel F. Walter Majesty's Lord-Licutenant for James (Vice Lord Lieutenant of Perth and Kinross (Major Staffordshire). David Butter). Staffordshire).

Captain Alexanuer
Hamilton was in attendance.
The Duchess of York left
Maribon Airport, London to
Cotober 20: The Princess Royal
at Gatwick Airport. Captain Alexander Baillie-Heathrow Airport, London to-day for New York, United arrived at Gatwick Airport.

day for New John States of America.

Capiain Alexander Baillic- Jamaica.

London this morning Jamaica.

Mrs Richard Carew Pole and Mrs Richard Carew Pole an BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 20: The Prince Edward. Chairman of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, carried out engagements today in Tayside and Fife.

His Royal Highness visited His Royal Highness visited Constability Widows at Holk-received by Her Majesty's Lord. Lieutenant for the City of Dundee (Mr Thomas Mitchell, the Lord Provost).

His Royal Highness visited Constability Widows at Holk-received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Norfolk (Mr Timothy

The Prince Edward then visited the City Square and Caird Hall and was entertained to lunch by the City and Parising Internal Parising Inte

lunch by the City and Regional Council Officials, Dundee, In the afternoon His Royal garet, Countess of Snowdon. Highness visited Falkland Pal-ace and was received by Her Service at Little St Mary's Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Church, Cambridge, in connection with the celebration of the 850th anniversary of the Parish. Fife (The Earl of Elgin and

The Prince Edward viewed
Award Scheme youth activities

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Kelvin MacKenzie, editor, The Today's royal Sun. 44; Mr James Sharples, chief constable, Merseyside, 47; engagements Mr Michael Stoute, racehorse trainer, 45: Vice-Admiral Sir The Duke of Gloucester will visit Coca-Cola and Schweppes. FitzRoy Talbot. 81: Mr A.R.

visit Coca-Cola and Schweppes, Kenmore Road, Wakefield, at 10.30; the Yorkshire Mining Museum at Caphouse Colliery, New Road, Overton, at 11.45; and Brecon Hall in Yorkshire Sculpture Park, Wakefield, at 2.30. The Duke of Kent, as Patron of the Leukaemia Research Fund. FitzRoy Talbot, 81: Mr A.K. Thatcher, former Registrar General for England and Wales, 64; march grant of Caphoratory (Former governor, Gibraliar, 69; Professor D.G.T. Williams, vice-chancellor, Cambridge University, 60; Professor John Wing, psychiatrist, 67; Sir Hugh Wontner, hoteler, 82. the Leukaemia Research Fund. Wontner, hotelier, 82. will accompany Mr Ian Botham from Holbeach, Lincolnshire, at BIRTHS: Franz Liszt, com-

9.45 as part of the East Coast

Birthdays today

Lord Birkett, 61: Colonel J.N.
Blashford-Snell, explorer, 54:
Lord Burnham, 70: Mr L.R.
Carus, former principal,
Birmingham School of Music,
B.D. Craig, former
College,
College,
College,
Writer, London, 1802: Thomas
College,
College,
Writer, London, 1806: Henry Richard
Fox, 3rd Baron Holland, polinistorian. 67: Mr John Field, ballet director, 69: Major-General Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard. Gold Stick to The Queen, 74: Miss Joan Fontaine, actress, 73: Lady (Michael) For Service Ross, 1883: actress, 73: Lady (Michael) Fox. Caledonian Club of International and Compar-ative Law, 62; Mr Mike Lord Lyon King of Arms, was Hendrick, cricketer, 42; Miss present on Saturday at the New Irene Hindmarsh, former prin-cipal, St Aidan's College, Dur-Caledonian Club of London was ham, 67. Mr Derek Jacobi, presented with a Grant of Arms, actor, 52: Mrs Doris Lessing, Mr Charles J. Burnett, Ross author, 71: Lord Lloyd of Herald of Arms, presented Let-Hampstead, QC, 75: Mr Donald ters Patent to Lord Ramsay, McIntyre, opera singer, 56: Mr president.

Dinners

Chartered Institute of Loss Alexander of Weedon, QC, was The Chartered Institute of Loss annual dinner on October 19, at the London Hilton on Park Lane, Mr Neil Kelly, President of the Institute, presided and the principal guests were the Right Hon the Lord Donaldson of Lymington, Master of the Rolls, and Tony Ball, MBE.

Milton Keynes Chamber of Mr E.C. Ray, Chairman of the Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce, presided at the annual dinner of the Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, October 18. Lord

HAND

Adjusters (CILA) held their Sir Peter Hope was the principal guest and speaker at the annual dinner of HAND (Helping Africa' End Disease) held at The Law Society's Hall on Thursday October 18. Mr Philip Noel chairman, presided. Among those present were:

those present were:

Sir James Scott and Lady Scett onesidenti. Mr Barry Theobald-Hicks, sider chairman; and Mss Anna Hodson-Pressinger. Lord Craimyle, oresident. British Association, SMOM) and Lady Craimyle Lady Hope. Lady Hope. Lady Hope Lady Hope Lady Hope the Lady Hope Celestria Holes. Mr Peregnine Bettle: Father Nolan, Mr Judlan Allason, Don Victor De Baux, Mr Gerrard and the Hon Mrs Noel, Mr Jonathan Bolton-Dignam of Triermaine, the Hon Adam MacMillan and Miss Barbara Brockelbank.

He then opted to go it alone

ment and setting up in

Carbon dating service starts

By NORMAN HAMMOND, ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT BRITAIN'S first private not clash with my official enterprise radio-carbon dating responsibilities." laboratory has been opened in a private house in completely, taking early retire-The laboratory, which aims Harwell village, almost within

to process over 300 dates a sight of his former base. He vear, has been established by hopes to move to bigger Dr Bob Otlet, former director premises soon. of the Harwell radio-carbon Walker, who worked with Dating, has its main in-

him. struments housed in a casing
The Harwell centre is one of "about the size of a chest the largest in the country, freezer", Dr Otiet said operated by the Atomic Energy Research Establishment dating of samples between 1

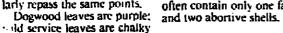
among other organisations.

The new dating laboratory, dating service, and Jill known simply as Radiocarbon

Although only conventional and carrying out most of the and 5 grams can be done on dating for English Heritage, the spot. Dr Otlet has made arrangements with the Dep-Dr Otlet said: "Harwell artment of Scientific and decided to discontinue arch- Industrial Research in New aeological radio-carbon dat- Zealand to carry out acceling, and I decided to begin a erator (AMS) dating of sam-

private service which would ples the size of a matchhead. Nature notes

THE most noticeable birds in the woods now are the mixed flocks of titmice, especially where the leaves are off the trees. After blue and grey tits, the most numerous are the coal tits. They are also the noisiest, constantly whispering or bursting into sharp whistles and twitters; when they hang backwards on a orange. Maple leaves are yeltwig, the bald-looking patch on the back of their heads can be clearly seen. Long-tail tits this year. Slender hawthorn flit behind one another from boughs are bending under the tree to tree like miniature magpies. Marsh tits often remain in their summer territones, but join up with the fruit is falling, and can be flock as it passes through. The quickly buried in the long flocks do a wide circuit through the woods, but regu- the tree: the prickly busks





low, scarlet and crimson. Most trees have fruited very heavily weight of red berries: wild roses are aflame with bright orange hips. Sweet chestnut vellow-brown leaves beneath larly repass the same points. Often contain only one fat nut

OBITUARIES

Joel McCrea, the American film actor, died on October 20 aged 84. He was born on November 5, 1905.

TALL, rugged and good looking, with a thoughtful, slowtalking style, Joel McCrea made more than 80 films and was particularly suited to the Western, in which he usually played the placid and dependable hero doing his job with the minimum of fuss. But some of his best performances came in other genres, such as the sharp-edged comedies of Preston Sturges, and if he was not quite in the front rank of Hollywood stars he was thor-oughly professional and widely popular.

He was born in Pasadena, California, the grandson of a stagecoach driver, and as a boy got a taste for his later Western roles by working on a ranch. He was educated at Pomona State College and gained his first acting experience in amateur and community productions. He entered films as an extra during the 1920s, getting his first im-portant part in The Jazz Age in 1929.

He emerged as a reliable leading man in a wide range of films, from romantic dramas to comedies and adventure stories. Early successes were George Cukor's gold-digger comedy Girls about Town, a South Seas adventure Bird of Paradise, and a horror melodrama The Most Dangerous Game. He started with Edward G. Robinson in Barbary Coast, and was the honest, idealistic hero of the

gangster film Dead End. His first Western was Wells Furgo in 1937 and two years fully discovers that audiences



later he and Barbara Stanwyck headed the cast of Cecil B. de Mille's epic of railroad building, Union Pacific. His best period was in the early 1940s. starting with Hitchcock's Forhe was a reporter trying to smash a Nazi spy ring, and Sullivan's Travels, directed by Preston Sturges, a satirical

prefer vacuous comedies to social realism.

teamed memorably with Jean Dee, the actress, in 1933.

He made two more films for Sturges, losing his wife (Claudette Colbert) in The Palm Beach Story to the eign Correspondent, in which Florida millionaires and playing the Boston dentist who pioneered the use of anaesthetics in The Great Moment. He was reunited with Barbara piece about a film director Stanwyck in the family drama, (played by McCrea) who pain- A Great Man's Lady; and

the Merrier.

part in William Wellman's Buffalo Bilt and from then onwards he rarely did anything else. Most of them were formula films of no great distinction and his attempt in a remake of The Virginian to take on a role made famous by Gary Cooper fell disappointingly flat. But there were exceptions, such as Four Faces West and Colorado Territory (in both of which McCrea, usually on the side of the law, played villains) and Wichita (in which he was Wyatt Earp). His finest Western, and his

In 1944 he returned to

Westerns, playing the name

best Western performance, came late in his career when he and another Western veteran, Randolph Scott, were called out of retirement by the director Sam Peckinpah for Guns in the Afternoon. In a mellow and moving film, they played two old lawmen undertaking their final commission in a West that was passing them by.

After this McCrea went back into retirement to his first love, ranching, and enjoying the considerable wealth he had accrued by shrewd investments in land and livestock. But be made two further screen appearances in the 1970s, one of them with Jody, the eldest of his three sons, who had followed him as a film actor. Then he headed back to his giant ranch, sur-rounded by 25 miles of barbed wire, near Camarillo 30 miles north of Los Angeles.

McCrea married Frances

DANY CHAMOUN

Dany Chamoun, a politician people killed in the power who sought a peaceful solution struggle, leaving the Lebanese to the violent confrontation in forces the only Christian me-Arthur in George Stevens's Beirut yesterday. romantic comedy, The More

> DANY Chamoun was the son of the late President Camille Chamoun and came from one of the last of Lebanon's powerful feudal families. He backed General Michel Aoun's Crusades to try and drive Syria's and crush the rival Lebanese and sent his father's million Forces militia.

Chamoun stood as a presidenprime minister by the outgofailed to reach a quorum. Chamoun was chairman of the National Liberal Party and head of a coalition of political parties which supported

eight days before in a Syrian-led attack by forces loyal to President Elias Hrawi, Chamoun said be forced the Chamoun said he feared the collapse of "law and order" in

has to be finished and that is by international action. If there is none, then bombs are going to go on exploding in London or Berlin or Madrid." In 1988, he rejected the presence of foreign troops and any armed Palestinian presence in Lebanon. He was also against the partition of the country. A generation before in the

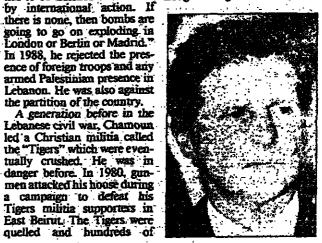
Lebanese civil war, Chamoun led a Christian militia called the "Tigers" which were even-tually crushed. He was in danger before. In 1980, gun-men attacked his hoose during a campaign to defeat his Tigers militia supporters in

the Lebanon, was assassinated litiz in the enclave. The at the age of 56 with his wife Phalangist radio reported he and two sons in Christian East was slightly injured when an argument at a political meet-

ing of the National Liberal Party turned into a gunfight. The image that Chamoun retained, despite his defeat by the LF, was that of an upper class playboy who had turned defender of his people. He loved fine wines and hunting dollar collection of shorguns

A Maronite Christian, to Western embassies for safekeeping. tial candidate in 1988 before Though he had close links Aoun was appointed interim with Aoun, Chamoun was a pragmatist and contacted ing President Amin Gemayei Hrawi's government in a after attempts at an election gesture of reconciliation following the toppling of Aoun. He was to the last pursuing his aim of creating a united Lebanon where the rule of law would replace the bloody confrontation of the 15

making his overture to Hrawi. His father called US Mathe vacuum left by the rines into Beirut in 1958 to destruction of the general's crush a Muslim revolt and Chamoun inherited a respect He said in 1987: "Look, for the West; and he recalled there's only one way this thing playing rugby as a student for Loughborough University.



RENAUD DE LA GENIÈRE

February 9, 1925.

French Protestant elite, Renaud de la Genière was admired not only for his intellectual prowess and impartial service to governments of both the left and the right, but also for his moral rigour, his independence of mind, and his reserved gentlemanly manners. President Mitterrand hailed him as a "great servant of the public interest".

Born in Le Mans into a family of surgeons, he himself decided to study law and then politics and economics in Paris, before joining in 1948 the newly-established Ecole Nationale d'Administration. the elite post-graduate institution for training France's highflying civil servants, graduating among the very top. For the next quarter of a century, his career was all

panies, and former Governor pointed deputy director of the president in 1974, or his being conglomerate. of the Bank of France, died of budget in 1960, before becomcancer in Paris on October 16 ing director in 1966 at the age aged 65. He was born on of 41. During his eight years in this key post, he gained a A TYPICAL product of the imperturbable monetarist, who did not hesitate to rap "spendthrift" government ministers, including his own finance minister, Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, over the knuckles when he saw fit.



promoted to governor in

creases in government spendthe more diehard socialists. But his cool head and loyal support were greatly appreciated by Jacques Delors, the finance minister, in those early difficult years of socialist rule, which saw the devaluation of the franc three times in the space of 18 months. It was battle against the disease one of de la Genière's greatest which first attacked him in disappointments that Delors's 1977 and to which he finally decided not to renew his four days after having reappointment as governor of signed his chairmanship. the Bank of France when his

evebrows. His experience as a caracities.

Miss Elizabeth Harwood

A service of celebration and thanksgiving for the life of Miss Elizabeth Harwood (Mrs Julian

Royle) was held on Friday at St Paul's. Covent Garden. The Very Rev David Elliott offici-ated assisted by the Rev Monta-

gue Knott. Mr Nicholas Royle. son, read the lesson. Dame Janet

Baker read from the works of William Penn and Mr John Hannam, MP, from the works of

Canon Henry Scott Holland, Sir

Charles Mackerras paid tribute.

Members of the Royal Opera

House Orchestra, conducted by Sir Charles Mackerras, played J

S Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No 3 (BWV 1048); the orchestra.

Mr John Brown, violin, and Mr John Brearley, viola, played the

Second Movement of Mozart's Sintonia Concertante (K364);

Miss Moura Lympany, piano, played Chopin preludes and the

Chorus of the Royal Opera, conducted by Mr Robin Staple-

ton, and accompanied by the

end in 1984.

Renaud de la Genière, chair- plain sailing. After two years However, this did not prevent central banker was not man of the Compagnie in the Cabinet of General de his being appointed deputy deemed suitable for the head financière de Suez, one of Gaulle's first finance minister, direct of the Bank of France of the big investment banking, Europe's biggest holding com- Antoine Pinay, he was ap-

He nevertheless confounded his critics by first When the socialists came to steering the company through power in 1981, with their a successful privatisation on reputation as a passionate and programme of massive in- the eve of the stock market crash in October 1987; and ing he continued to preach then masterminding two the need for economic rigour, equally successful fierce batmuch to the fury of some of thes first for control of the Société Générale de Belgique, the Belgian industrial con-glomerate, in 1988, and then for the takeover of Victoire, the big insurance group, in 1989.

At the same time, he continued to fight his own personal successor. Pierre Bérégovoy, succumbed last Tuesday, just

On his 65th birthday last five year mandate came to an February, his mandate bad been renewed for a further His appointment two years year, with the possibility of later by the new right wing extending this until the age of government as chairman of 70. But he had preferred to the state-owned Compagnie hand over the reins rather Financière de Suez, raised than serve with diminished

Memorial service

orchestra, sang Mozart's .tvc (CV)

JOCELYN HILL

Richard Charles Joseph Hill, Orthopsedic Association. In

JOCE Hill, the son of a Lancashire. Scottish schoolmaster, went to Edinburgh university for which he boxed and played rusby before qualifying in fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons.

love was the sea and having joined the RNVR he was in the navy from the beginning of nean and was in HMS Resolu-Later he served in India.

president of the South African marriage.

an orthopaedic surgeon with 1961; feeling the political an international reputation, situation in South Africa has died just short of his 80th could interfere with his work birthday, at Comox, British and that England was a better Columbia. He was born in place for his children's edu-South Africa on October 13, cation, he came back and

Away from work his great

After the war Hill set up.

joined the National Health Service, originally in

in 1965 he was appointed consultant orthopaedic surgeon and director of accident services in Leicester, where a graduate work he gained his new purpose-built casualty department at the Royal Infirmary had just been finished.

After retirement he lived quietly in the Leicestershire countryside, but the winters were too hard for his health. the war. He served in the and in 1987 he moved to Atlantic and the Mediterra Comox (the Happy Valley of the Red Indian) on Vancouver tion when under attack off Island, to live next door to his Dakar by the Vichy-French. son, an orthopaedic surgeon

He is survived by his wife, practice in Durban, and in the their daughter and son, and by late 1950s he was elected a daughter of a previous

Forthcoming

Marriages

Mr R.C.L. Eley
and Miss S.C. Gerney
The marriage took place on
Saturday, October 20, at St
Mary's Church. Stratford
Mary, Suffolk, between Mr RuUnderwood, Buckinghamshire. pert Eley and Miss Sara Gurney. The Rev Michael Hamilton-Sharp and the Rev John Druce officiated.

marriage by her father, was attended by Juliet Fraser, Sophie Terry, Georgina Reid, Henry Reid and Archie Montagu-Polleck, Mr Hugh Tidbury was best man. A reception was held at the

home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent

Mr N.C.B. Gill
and Miss J.M.S. Rubertson
The marriage took place on
Saturday, October 20, at St
Laurence's, Weston Underwood, of Mr Nicholas (Sam)
Gill younger on Mr Arbier wood, of Mr Nicholas (Sam)
Gill, younger son of Mr Arthur
Gill, of Llanfihangel Crucorney,
Gwent, and Mrs Anne Ferris, of
Alresford, Hampshire, and Miss
Mr J-F. Morcom-Harneis
and Miss M-H. Hamon

The Polyerison, elder daughter Jane Robertson, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Robert-son, of Weston Underwood, Buckinghamshire, The Rev Ste-phen Weston officiated.

Denehy. Mr David Royds was

honeymoon is being spent

to be vical. Holy Trinity, Bridgwaler, same divides The Res. Robin Harsey, curale, keynsham, divides Bath and Wels to be rector. East Harpfree vo West Harpfree and Hinton Blewell, same divides

Modes

The Rev Graham Median, learn Mar, Mildenhall, discuss St Edmand-hury and Issue in to be rector. Swanshorpe and Newton Florman, and officer for Evangelism, diocese Norwich

The Rev Geoffrey Laws, non-stipendiary minister at the deamery of Jarrew, diocese Durham to be vegi.

John the Bables, Werrington, diorese Peterborough to be war. Christ Church w Si John and Si Santour. Highoury Grove, diorese London.

Highbury Grove, diocese London. The Rev Authors J Monie, vicar, Astron Kreynes, Leigh and Minnety, diocese Bristol, to be rective. Si Jean the Bapikol and Si Andrew, Switchen, same diocese. The Rev John & Moore honolary assistant further, Guidelin & Holy Trinity and 54 Mars. Allower Compliers to be also chapter death for non-nary had and hon hilpenduary fininglets. Same diocese.

The bride, who was given in Queen Elizabeth's Own Gurkha marriage by her father, was attended by Jessica, Annabell and Ohyia Allen and Tattana

Underwood, Buckinghamshire, of Mr Volker Gustav Stefan Heinz, elder son of the late Mr Georg Heinz and Mrs Heinz, of Heddesheim, Baden, Germany, and Miss Sandra Mary Ann Tancibudek, younger daughter of Mr Jiri Tancibudek, OAM. and Mrs Tancibudek, of Ad-claide, South Australia, The Rev

Colin Jee officiated.

The bride was given away by her father and was attended by Miss Sarah Christ and Mr Raphael Christ. Mr Dieter G. Lange was best man and the lesson was read by Mr Martin Evans and Mr Horst Wagner. The reception was held at Wotton House and The Clock Pavilion, Wotton Underwood Buckinghamshire, and the honeymoon was spent in Venice.

The marriage took place on Saturday, August 24, in Hong Kong, between Lieutenant Julien Morcom-Hamers, bit

Mr G.H.G. Threlfall and Mrs G.M.M. Vacher A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent Thressal and Jill Vacher. The

newton, docese Carisire to be vicar, Harrington, same diorese.

The Res. John & Roddinson, area secretary in East Anglis for USPG and honorary minor canon of 51 Edmundshur Cathefidal discret St Edmundshur and Iposifin, to be chaplain of the Gender Listen Chaplains. Portugal docese Europe.

The Res Rod Thatcher, currate, Bridewater St Mark diorete Bath and wells to be also part time chaplain at Blake Hospital. Bridgewater, same dioxese.

The Res Stuart G Thomas, assertant curate, Guidiford etols Trimits and St Mary dioxese Guidiord to be vicar. Courch. St John the Evangelist. Same dioxese.

Retirements and resignations

Retirements and resignations
The Rev Keith R Planter Vicar, Great
Watering Se. Foultiers, discrete
Creamstord: to resum as from December 31.
The Rev Herbert Simpson, nonstipendiary number herbert to Si
John's, flarnes, discrete it Carticle to
reure as from 31 October.
The Rev Commission of Carticle to
reure as from 10 October.
Charactelistic discrete Residentiars of
Evelor Commission discrete Evelor, to
reure as from January 51 1991.

Exelect Collection and Residentially of retire as front January 51 1991. The Rev Pero De Eric Tinker Senior Augusta Chabban to Chin cristics and Popticchairs in London retired as from September 30

Church news

Appointments in Forces

Royal Navy
COMMANDER¹ H M Humphreys Office of DA Nassau 29 1.91: A J
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Hunt - NP 1032 19 5.91: P M Jones SA Lisbon 18 1.91: P A C Lorkwood Office of SA Parts 5.1.91: D V P
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19 4.91: P Woodings - York 19 4.91
SURGEDN COMMANDER W D
Bissel - Dryad 1.1.90: H M I Edsell Dolphin 23.10.90: D J Rose - Si
Vincent 6.11: 90
Sectements

REAR ADMIRAL: H M Ballour -5.1 91 CAPTAIN: R G Bridgeman = 7 1 91: R H Farmfield = 5 1.91. J A P Fuery = 7 1 91: C A B Nixon Eckersall = 7 1 91 OMMANDER: K J Frith - 8.12.90; H G Harfey - 15.12.90; B Jones - 15.12.90 SURGEON COMMANDER: A P D'E Meredith - 3.12.90; M D Simmons -4 12 40 The Army
COLONELS D M G Charles - To be
VP RCB. 22 10 90 M P 8 G Wilson To be Dir DG MII Sty. 22 10 90
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Grants include: Chemistry: Ors D J Hourston, T N Huckerby and Professor J Soular (polymer centre) - £140,000 from SERC for funding towards purchase of medium field spectrometer of medium-field Spectromner Engineering: Or D A Brantey, Mr D Davison M J Freinch - 2718-206 from SERC for work in Engineering Design Centre, the Engineering Design Centre, the House of Engineering District and Biological Scruppey: Drs N Hewith D Luices and Professor T A Manufield - £100-000 from NERC DOE for study of impact of reactive hydrocarbons on plaints. LingusUcs and Computing: Professor O N Lettin and Dr R G Garage -5249-509 from Serc for work on Datord Corpus.

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Service:

dinners HMS Victory Admiral Sir Jeremy Black Commander-in-Chief, Naval Home Command, presided and nome Command, presides and proposed the toast to Lord Nelson's "immortal memory" at a Trafalgar night dinner held on Saturday on board his flagship. HMS Victory. The guests included:

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MEETING IN HYDE PARK Yesterday a gathering, similar in character and object to that which took place on the previous Sunday, was held in Hyde Park. Shortly after 2 o'clock, a mere handful of people had assembled on the green sward in that part of the park between the Royal Humane Society's receivinghouse and the statue of Achilles, on the north side of the Serpentine These were mostly raw idle lads. artisans, and labouring men, forming a motiey criwd, whose demeanour and appearance indicated that they cared little or nothing about the price of bread, and that they were there simply in quest of excitement and to take advantage of any incident, however trivial, that might turn up to minister to their love of fun ... It was a dull, sunless day, and for some time the whole thing was likely to turn out a complete failure; but before long, the crowd gradually began to gather some shape and aignificance. Twothirds or more of them were welldressed and well-conducted persons. including numbers of the higher classes, and here and there women with children in their arms, all of whom were present obviously from sheer curiosity, and probably not a few in spite of the sensible advice given them during the week to stay

day, such as it was, began by a man in middle life, pretty well dressed, with a beard and moustache, and his shirt collar turned down - the same, we. believe, who spoke on the previous believe, who spoke on the previous nobody isstened, because, in point of Sunday expressing a wish to nobody had anything to say address the crowd. His desire was fact, nobody had instantly gratified; some of his worth listening to.

1855 auditors called out for a ring to be made, which was done, and he proceeded to open his budget. He congratulated the company on again exercising their now-recognised privilege of meeting in "their own park" and then took from his pocket a copy of The Times of Tuesday last, and adopted as his text a leader in it, in which some remarks were made touching the meeting of the preced-ing Sunday and the anticipated assemblage of yesterday, having first asked if any reporter was present from this journal, and, if so, inviting him into the ring, to which, it is needless to say, no response was made. For about half an hour this person kept up a running comment upon the article in question, taking-exception to every one of the arguments used in it, and now and then introducing into his observa-tions a considerable amount of invective. His speech, though ostensibly directed with reference to the high price of bread, was in reality a denunciation of the aristocracy, to whom be attributed almost all the evils to which the poorer classes are subject. Assuming his audience to be wholly composed of labouring men, which they were not, he sought to flatter their vanity by telling them they were, in point of fact, the Atlas of the world, whose bones and sinews alone it was which ministered to the ease, the luxury, and the vices of the

Proceeding, after this, in the direction of Marble-arch, to a spot where a crowd had collected, we found another orator holding forth in a style of rude eloquence which, both in its matter and manner, was not without its attractions to many He was relating the history of the

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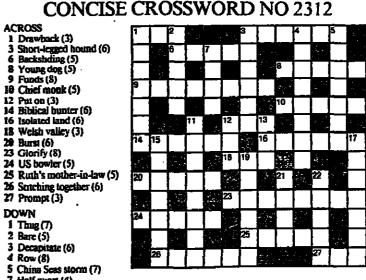
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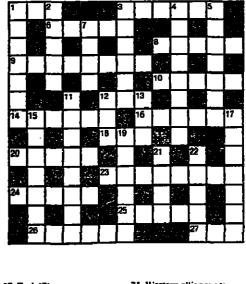
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A different class of worker

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their decline? Victoria McKee reports

oday a book is published entitled The Decline and Fall of the British Aristocracy. Tomorrow, the BBC begins a five-week series called

The book deplores - in academic, amply annotated argument

— the "decline" from "leisured class to working aristocracy". The television series celebrates the work ethic of the supposedly

Professor David Cannadine, whose book is the culmination of ten years' work, takes to task "the heads of once great territorial families, who have now been obliged to join the salariat". He records that "Lord Brabourne makes films. Lord Lichfield is a photographer. Viscount Chilston is a film producer for the Central Office of Information. The Marquess of Queensberry is a professor of ceramics at the Royal College of Art. The Duke of Leinster runs a flying school and his heir, the Marquess of Kildare, is a landscape gardener..." The list goes on and is, according to Professor Cannadine, evidence of an aristocracy "more decayed and more marginalised than it ever has

Rosalind Gower, the producer of the BBC series, says the fact that the Earl of Bradford runs a restaurant (Porters, in Covent Garden), Lord Lichfield is a photographer and his sister, Lady Elizabeth Anson, a professional party planner, makes them all the more human. Alan Towers, the series' presenter, is consistently impressed that not all heirs give themselves airs, or consider themselves above earning an upper

But there has always been a greater affinity between the "leisured" and the working classes than those in between would credit. From the earliest feudal days the children of great households were sent off to others to serve an apprenticeship as pages and maidservants, and Lord Lichfield likes to recall how he and his sister were made to shadow the servants at Shugborough, their Staffordshire family seat, until house were done, from starting the fires to polishing the small change

on every dressing-table. "It is not uncommon for the gentry to fall back on the skills they have - which are to do with running a large house and land," observes an impoverished peer's daughter who now works as housekeeper to a wealthy industrialist. "At home we had a nanny, a cook, a parlourmaid, a housemaid and an in-between maid. I know how I liked things done, and can therefore do things for others they way I would have liked them to be done for me."

This philosophy undoubtedly accounts for part of the success of Lady Elizabeth's party planning business - and is why the daughters of great houses so often become interior designers (like the Duke of Marlborough's daughter, Lady Henrietta Spencer-Chur-chill), or work in auction houses (like Lady Victoria Leatham at Sotheby's), both businesses that help others to acquire the illusion of being to the manor born.

Ian Ross, who grew up in a home with a butler and is married to an earl's sister, worked as a butler when he fell on hard times in Beverly Hills. "If you've had servants it's easier to think of becoming one," he says, "But once you've been a servant you tend not to want to have them again." He is now back in Britain, and writing a book about his experiences.

Professor Cannadine seems to find it infra dig that "the Countess of Mar is a saleswoman for British Telecom. Lord Simon Conyngham is an assistant in a delicatessen. Lord Teviot is a bus conductor. The Duchess of Somerset does the cooking herself . . ." and that "Lord Kingsale, the premier baron of Ireland, is a silage-pit builder . . . having pre-viously been a bingo caller in Stourbridge, a lorry driver and a safari keeper . . . '

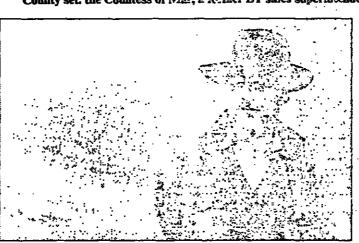
Lord Teviot — a former bus driver, in fact, who married his conductress - also worked in a supermarket (with his wife as a cashier), proving that since a grocer like Lord Sainsbury can become a peer it is only fair that a peer can become a grocer. Lord Teviot is an Old Etonian who claimed he had been brought up "with one adage: to be natural at all times". He now pursues the more gentle art of genealogy.

ady Mar - who holds

Scotland's premier earldom, but inherited no estate or money with her ancient title - points out that she gave up her job as a BT sales superintendent eight years ago Now she helps her husband on their Worcestershire smallholding and is active in the House of Lords. Her daughter, Lady Susan of Mar - who will inherit the title - trained as a secretary and worked for Ted Heath until her marriage. Lady Mar, who sits in the House of Lords as an independent and is known for her interest in health and social service issues, says: "I have never been afraid of hard work, and even worked as a hospital auxiliary for a time. If you



County set: the Countess of Mar, a former BT sales superintendent, now helps her husband on their Worcestershire smallholding



Waste not: Lord Guernsey on his "controlled landfill" site

ask me the reason the British aristocracy has survived better than so many others is because we have been willing and able to work." She accuses the book of

being "way out of date".

Professor Cannadine is unapologetic. "It takes ten years to write a book like this and it is a serious, important work," he says. "It doesn't matter when she did the job, the fact is that she did it, and Evelyn Waugh has said that when anstocrats work they be come middle class'. The point I am making is that the essence of aristocracy is being leisured, not having to work for a living."

Other members of the working aristocracy venemently disagree. The Earl of Mount Charles, who worked in publishing and runs rock concerts, a restaurant and a nightclub at Slane Castle in the lrish Republic, says: "It! were to sit idly by, then I would be in decline. It would be aliea to my nature, and if to be active is to be

in Cecline it is surely the strangest definition." Lord Mount Charles says that he and his brother, Lord Simon Conyngham - who has worked in a delicatesson, a fish shop and for a fast-food chain before starting his own concession selling saimon, haggis and other delicacies at airports - have both grown up with a strong work ethic. He says the elementype of an aristocracy that "spend their entire lives hunting and shooting

fetched, and "having had to learn !

to use every trick in the book to

survive" has given the aristocracy:

a new strength.

The Countess of Normanton whose husband was described in the book as "a male model for Burberry", asserts: "While our house, Somerley, and our dogs have been used in advertisements for Burberry, and my husband appeared in the background, my husband is certainly not a male model. But he does work very

hard on the estate, which we have commercialised in many ways with conferences, clay pigeon shoots and the like. It's like nunning a family business, and it's jolly hard work."

harles, Lord Guernsey heir to the Earl of Aylesford, Lord Lieuterant of the West Midlands - is a "working title" not featured in the television series who does not mind dirtying his hands with rubbish for the sake of preserving his estate, Packington Hall near Coventry. Although Lord Guernsey recently relinquished control of his waste disposal business to an American firm, the offices are maintained at Packington, and he can still see what he prefers to call "a controlled landfill site rather than a dump" from his windows. "We were able to get such a

good price for the business because, since we had to live with it and were not going to go anywhere, it had to be a model site, well in advance of legislation," he says. He ran the business actively and personally for ten years, and claims his family did not look askance at it because "it was such an important lifeline for ne survival of the estate

"I suppose if you've got enough money you can indulge yourself with some work which is simply satisfying, like painting or pottery - but few of us can afford to do just that." Lord Guernsey also hires his house out for conferences, with his wife, Penelope, taking charge of the catering. Some have looked outside the

shehered world of the estate for survival. While "cooking, couture, Cartier, Christie's, children and charity" are the traditional choices

for uppercrust girls. Lady Carolyn Seymour, the eldest daughter of the Marquess of Hertford, does not shy away from menial work. She picked tomatoes in Greece, ran a kindergarten in India and worked as a barmaid before becoming a secretary, which she is today. Like her sisters, Lady Diana (also a secretary) and Lady Anne (a teacher).

she has done everything possible to keep her title secret from those she works with. "People treat you in a different way once they know," she says (a sentiment echoed by Lady Elizabeth Anson in Working Titles). "Back home you're Lady Carolyn, you have staff and an estate and the from the control of th pew at church. But at work you're just Carolyn and don't admit you're a nob and live in a stately

During the week Lady Carolyn shares a modest west London flat with one of her sisters, and is gradually coming to terms with the fact that her family seat, Ragley Hall in Alcester, will go to her brother one day and cease to be even her weekend and holiday 'We work because we have to -

we're not just playing at it." she says. But she is clean about her role. "Maybe I've travelled so much because I wanted to avoid the rest of the people who get on the Tube at 8 o'clock each morning I sometimes think, I wasn't born to get on

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The microwave may restore continental faith in British food

ne hundred and fifty Brit-ish companies are aiming this week to persuade foreigners to eat more like us. It will not be easy. Jokes abroad about British food's fish and chip image have cost us dear — while British's food exports are worth some 25 billion a year, we spend almost twice that on food imports.

Both fish and chips will, as it happens, be strongly (if separately) represented today in the British pavilion at the Salon International d'Alimentation (Sial) trade fair in Paris. Britain's 150 exhibitors will be flying bravely in the face of the contempt which plagues the reputation of British food abroad.

"What we export is, metaphorically speaking, peanuts," Roy Edlestone, the director of European operations for Food from Britain, says. "Our presence in Europe has been virtually negatively from the control of the co ligible. The British food industry does not try hard enough, and does not have the will to succeed in Europe.'

There are, shough, said to be opportunities awaiting British food manufacturers in Europe. We are among the world's leaders in ready-made meals and convenience foods, a position due partly to a national preoccupation with keeping out of the kitchen as

much as possible.
Britain has more women going out to work than almost any other industrialised nation. We also have the world's highest ownership of microwave ovens, and where we have led, others may follow. "As chauvinism breaks down in France," says a Food from Britain spokesman, "there will be a potentially huge market for high quality, British ready-made meals. French women are increasingly going out to work. and wanting to free themselves from the kitchen." So Sharwoods. Campbell's and Ross Youngs will be in the fair's British pavilion with a catholic selection of readyprepared dishes.

For almost one third of the British comingent this will be a first foray to the biennial exhibition. The expense of mounting a stand there has usually limited participation to the likes of RHM, Allied-Lyons and United Biscuits. This time Food from Britain, with the help of Department of Trade grants for smaller companies, has urged more of the food industry's small fry to try their luck.

Many of the most successful British ready-made meals are prepared from anything but British recipes pastas and pizzas. Spanish paellas, Greek moussakas, Indian curries, Chinese noodles, Thai satays and even French caneton à l'orange and boeuf bourguignon. Food from Britain has bluntly

warned food producers that sticking a Union Jack on the product is not enough to make it sell. If foreigners do not like our food, it seems we have to dish them up someone else's instead.

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Responsibility for contraception is heading firmly back into the man's domain

Are we ready for the male pill? may be only a few yours away, development of a male contraceptive, but we have reservations about making it

according to researchers. But are men, and their partners, ready for it? How many women would trust a lover's pledge that he was taking his cally dose? And how many parents would recommend it to their teenage sons? The questions are raised by the publication last week of an international study of the

effectiveness of contraceptive

injections for men. The World

Health Organisation project involved hundreds of volunteers in seven countries. Researchers have known for years that testosterone, the male sex hormone, can be used to block sperm production. The injections appear to

be more effective than the oral contracentive for women. Within the next few years, the injections may become widely available, paving the way for a pill version by the end of the decade. The potentiai benefits are enormous, particularly in over-populated countries, but a pill's success depends on the extent to which men accept it.

The advect of the pill for wemen in the Sixties took the onus of preventing unwanted pregnancies away from men. Now evidence is emerging that many men would welcome their own contraceptive. An increasing number with established families are opting for a vasectomy - about 77,000 were performed in Britain in 1955 - and the threat of Aids has increased the use of condoms.

The WHO study required injections of testosterone, in the arm or buttocks, for at least a year. The participants had to be healthy, aged be- Lincoln, the director of thetween 21 and 45, and in stable Medical Research Council's Family Planning Association,



Dr Fred Wu with WHO project volunteers (from left)

shortage of volunteers, though a few dropped out because they did not like the frequency of the injections.

John Munro, aged 37, an Edinburgh printer who took part in the project, says: "It is important to have mutual trust in this sort of thing. Contraception isn't just a female prerogative. I don't like using condoms and I feel this method is really handy. The injections didn't bother me at all." The only side effect he suffered was some ache on his back.

JAMES Bremner, aged 42, another Edinburgh volunteer. attests to the reversibility of the treatment. He and his wife had a boy within a year of stopping the injections. "If the scribed, there is advice given drug moves on to a tablet form it would be ideal," he says.

The next challenge for researchers is to modify the treatment so that injections. volunteers to take weekly are necessary only three or four times a year.

The Edinburgh men were recruited by Professor Dennis

relationships. There was no reproductive biology unit in the city and one of the organisers of the study.

Times are changing. The is more support for a male contraceptive than we expected," he says. "We found many men in stable, monogamous relationships, who are enthusiastic and willing to share the responsibilities of

contraception. "Within the next ten years we could see marriages where the husband is on his pill for one year, and the wife on hers for the next. I think this sort of sharing is going to catch on."

He is more cautious, though, about offering the pill to single, unattached men The user has to appreciate the responsibilities involved. When the female pill is prealong with it, and the same

rules should apply for men.
"If you had a teenage son and there was a male pill available, i wouldn't suggest you encourage him to take it. if he was sexually active, the best advice on contraception would be to use condoms." Charlotte Owen, of the

or long-term relationships, though, it is an ideal option. Dr Pramilla Senanayake. the assistant secretary-general of the International Planned Parenthood Federation, has similar doubts about giving the pill to single men, but does not completely rule out the idea. There are many young men who don't have a permanent partner but who feel a responsibility to protect their girifriend from pregnancy. I don't believe we should dis-

available to younger men. A lot of girls simply wouldn't

trust a new boyfriend who said he was taking it. In marriages

DR SENANAYAKE points out that 60 million men in the world have had a vasectomy. Male responsibility towards contraception is well established, she says. "The choices for men are limited. If the options were extended, I'm certain more men would

courage them."

There is, however, another problem. Men are being urged to use condoms to protect themselves and their partners from the risks of HIV and other diseases. Can they be expected to adopt both the pill and the condom?

They may be used to wearing the trousers, but putting on both belt braces may be asking much of many of them. Senanayake says. The single man daunted by such a challenge should opt for a condom with its twin value as both a barrier against infection and a

contraceptive, she says. THOMSON PRENTICE Change of shift

DEVOTEES of the Opera Factory will notice that for the first time, one of its productions -Maderna's Satyricon, which opens Wednesday at London's Drill Hall - is being staged by someone other than the Factory's founder, David Freeman, Robert Chevara will be in charge and the conduc-tor will be David Parry, rather than Paul Daniel, the Factory's musical director. The reason is that Freeman has ambitious plans for the Opera Factory and is keen to give opportunities to new talents. Daniel, meanwhile, has his hands full both in Leeds, where he has just become musical director of Opera North, and at home in London, where his wife, the soprano Joan Rodgers, has re-

Lady and tramp

THE title role of Pinter's The Caretaker was written for a man and has always been played by one. Until now, that is, for on Wednesday Miriam Karlin takes on the role in Annie Castledine's production at the Sherman Theatre, Cardiff (0222 230451). The presence of a female tramp, trying to cause friction between the two strange brothers, undoubtedly throws up a sexual frisson not present in the original. But Castledine says that when Pinter was asked for permission to alter the gender and change a few pronouns he said: "Go ahead." with, she reports, a wry smile.



Last chance . .

THERE is talk that Peter O'Toole might return to the West End next year, to star again in the role he created, the vodka-sloshing chainsmoking hero of Jeffrey Bernard Is Unwell. But that may never happen, so this week could be the last chance to see Bernard's favourite bar, the Coach & Horses in Romilly Street, recreated on the Apollo Theatre stage (071-437 2663). James Bolam is currently playing Mr Nighttime O'Booze.

Bow belle's capital week



Imperions: No spectres of self-doubt or emotional distress have ever haunted the playing of Anne-Sophie Mutter

Anne-Sophie Mutter's London appearances, Richard Morrison writes, are unparalleled

violinist is giving the kind - comprehensive demonstration of all-round intechnical command. Her immaculate, mercurial account of Sarastrumental finesse that perhaps sate's Fantaisie on Bizet's Carmen only two or three other musicians was the most extrovert demonsin the world could match. By tomorrow night Anne-Sophie Mutter will have played seven tration of that: the harmonics uncannily accurate; the triplestopping executed with ridiculous concertos and seven big chamber ease; the flashing arpeggios of the "Chanson bohème" swirling past works within one week. On Saturday night alone, in one epic with fiendish brilliance. concert, she delivered three con-Superb technique, however, constitutes the merest beginning certos - any one of which would

omething extraordinary is

27-year-old German

happening at the Barbican.

recent years has been Rosmo-

dresses or dungarees? Such mat-

be draining enough for the average of Mutter's approach. Much more important is the questing intelli-But it is the astonishing quality gence with which it is applied, so of her playing, not the bravado of that every phrase is moulded with her ambition, that defines the unique meaning. significance of this enterprise. The only comparable individual con-

The Tchaikovsky concerto on Saturday night was given the sort of performance that a listener is tribution to London concert life in privileged to hear once in a povich's marathon series of cello lifetime: the opening movement, Playing of this quality simply in particular, was handled with adously bold flexibility, like obernalia of glitter and gossip that a bird swooping or hovering at inevitably surrounds a star of this will. Phrases that have been played 10,000 times sounded as magnitude. What does it matter fresh as if the ink was still drying whether she drives a Porsche or a on the page. Sir Colin Davis and minicab; or wears shoulder-less the London Symphony Orchestra did admirably to stick with her. ters become irrelevant the mo-

ment she lifts her bow, in a Parallel to this metrical daring is Mutter's increasingly startling choice of tone colour. She has at characteristically imperious gesture, to the strings. So, too, does her "Karajan protégée" history: this is nobody's protégée (and her disposal every classic violin timbre, and she knows exactly probably never was), but an artist when to deploy each one: the cool, of fascinating resource and unparchaste sound (in the slow passage alleled powers of concentration. of the Franck sonata); the brilliant, What is her special quality? metallic edge (for the finale of Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante, First, of course, there is absolute

manage not to giggle or (b) close down the interview entirely? Jonathan Ross, in his encounter

with the film maker David Lynch,

otherwise known as the Eagle Scout from Montana, seemed not

even faintly surprised, and pressed

on with the adoration business. By that time, he had already been told

by other Lyoch admirers that the great director always wore ties at

art school, in fact three at a time,

so the fear of wind on the collar

bone must go back quite a way. It will probably occupy several chap-ters of the authorised biography.

For One Week Only David Lynch (Last Friday) was, of

course, a neat pre-emptive strike by Channel 4 which, having failed

to afford the British rights in Twin Peaks (tomorrow, BBC 2) did at

least manage to get a director-

profile out of it. Lynch apparently

comes from a secure background, but he specialises in the dark

undercurrents of the American

He also shaves mice, according

to one of his actors, and may in the

view of his daughter have made

the gothic horror Eraserhead as a

veiled protest against fatherhood

and family life, which is rather like

suggesting that the composer of

the Ring cycle must have been

somewhat opposed to mouth

It also turns out that, before the

money and the awards came

rolling in, Lyach used to moon-

light as a plumber. It is very

sansfactory, he told Ross, who

said that perhaps he, too, should

try it. "I think you should," said

Lynch, having by this time obvi-

ously had the chance to assess

Compared to the sheer in-

scrutability of Lynch, the com-

plexines of post-war Japan should

Ross as an interviewer.

and again with magnificent wilfulness in Tartini's "Devil's Trill" Sonata); the buzzing G-string, often allied to machine-gun articulation of fabulous clarity (the Tchaikovsky finale); the smoochy, sensuous portamento;

But there are some sounds that seem exclusively hers. One thinks particularly of the remarkable, remote tone she produced at the start of the Tchaikovsky slow movement, as if some plaintive song was heard behind a closed

the creamy full-toned top register;

and so on.

utter's relish of an intellectual challenge shows itself in another way, 100, As Rostropovich did in his youth, she has inspired big, testing pieces for her. She played two such pieces last week. Despite its piecemeal construction, Witold Lutoslawski's Partita-Interlude-Chain 2 is now nothing less than a gigantic concerto, moving from a Bartok-style fierceness to chord clusters of ethereal stillness.

Under the composer's direction, Mutter played it as if the music was as thoroughly in her blood as Brahms: not only did she invest her own part with great character, but she was alive to the possibilities for subtle interplay within the beguiling orchestral textures. The other recent concerto she included was less inspired, though Norbert Moret's bizarre En Rève (about a swarm of gnats, according to the composer) did at least allow her to run through all the usual avantgarde tricks.

Mutter's greatest strength as an interpreter has always been that she presents a strongly individual vision with immense self-confidence. She stamps her personality wilfully on every phrase like a farmer branding sheep. That has its disadvantages; listeners may react equally strongly against her view. A baroque purist, for instance, might have found unpalatable her massively sonorous but far from 18th-century approach to Tartini.

Perhaps, too, the presence of this steely-minded perfectionist has an intimidating effect on her collaborators. Neither the Mozart (with Bruno Giuranna attempting, but not succeeding very well, to conduct the orchestra and play the viola part) nor the Beethoven Triple Concerto (with the pianist Andrei Gavrilov and cellist Frans Helmerson) gripped as the solo

Where does Mutter go from here? Nowhere, it seems, at least for the moment: after 13 years of high-pressure music-making she plans to take a year off. That is wise. She has gone as far as a first-class musical intelligence and miraculous fingers will take her. No spectres of self-doubt or emotional distress have ever haunted her playing. If they do in later years she might become an

Pioneer revue'd

Clarke Peters, author of a musical tribute to bandleader Louis Jordan, talks to Clive Davis

The American actor Clarke Peters was about five years old when he first heard the music of Louis Jordan. The song. he remembers, was one of Jordan's many novelty hits. "Ain't Nobody Here But Us Chickens", a nocturnal dialogue between a farmer and the occupants of a henhouse. "I heard it on the radio in the early Fifties," says Peters. Jordan's career was levelling off by then, but you can understand the effect that song had on the imagination of a young child."

The farmyard song is one of the highlights of Peters' tribute to Jordan, Five Guys Named Moc. which officially opens tonight at the Theatre Royal, Stratford East. Not quite a full-blown musical. nor a revue - and certainly not a musical biography - the show contains some 20 Jordan hits, all snappily choreographed by Charles Augins. Peters prefers to describe the evening as a revusical. However it is defined, Five Guys helps to restore Jordan to his rightful position as a pioneer of rhythm and blues and an effervescent entertainer.

At the peak of his career, in the mid-Forties, Jordan was one of the most popular performers in America. Risqué but never crude, his songs helped introduce white audiences to the rituals of ghetto life and the verbal dexterity of black slang ("Reet, Petite, and Gone" was a typical example). The insidious beat of his "jump" music, a mixture of blues and stripped-down swing, paved the for the rise of rock 'n' roll. Bill Haley and Chuck Berry both acknowledged their debt to him. More recently, the rock singer Joe Jackson revived some of the "hep" tunes for the Jumpin' Jive

Jordan, who was born in Arkansas in 1908, made his name in the late Thirties as an altosaxophonist and singer with the bandleader Chick Webb. (One of Webb's other discoveries was Ella Fitzgerald). Jordan formed his own group, The Tympany Five. in 1938 and embarked on the series of hits which carried him through

the next decade and a half. The most enduring songs in-cluded "Is You Is Or Is You Ain't (Ma Baby)" "Saturday Night Fish Fry" and "Caldonia". The vaudeville antics, however, always went

sicianship. Illness interrupted Jordan's career just as the rock 'n' roll era was getting under way, but he remained active up to

his death in 1975. "I love the humour in his songs." Clarke Peters explains. They're all little scenarios about individuals. Songs today aren't like that. They don't lend themselves to theatrical exploitation. I love his style too. The cat was classy. He had great dress sense. I think a lot of young people would go for that now, especially as jazz is back in fashion again."

New Yorker who moved to London in 1973, Peters first wrote Five Guys Named Moc as a sketch, five years ago. He then expanded the piece into a 55minute late-night show at the Cottesloe. At the time Peters was appearing at the National in another play about black American music. August Wilson's Ma Rainey's Black Bottom. For the Stratford performances. Fire Gin's has been expanded again, to 90 minutes. The scene is set in the present day, with the central character, the lovelorn Nomax (played by Dig Wayne), listening to the radio while drowning his woes in alcohol. He is then confronted with the five Moes characters from the Jordan song who carry him back to the Forties and teach him about women, love and how to be a cool dude.

Jordan himself does not appear; the five Moes are all fragments of his showbusiness persona. The show moves quickly, the songs linked together by brief sketches and the minimum of plot. Peters says he was wary about turning the evening into a full-scale musical biography. He thinks that would be a task for a television documentary. Of course, the public is accustomed to musicals that last a good three hours, with lasers and six dozen scene changes thrown in for good measure. Fire Gues is a lightweight in that respect, but as Peters points out, that is not necessarily a disadvantage.

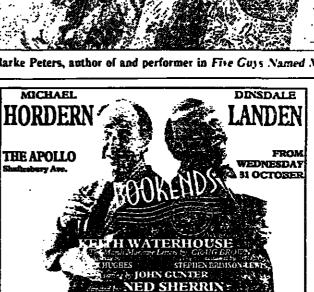
People, he says, do not pay to go to the theatre in order to sit for three hours: they pay to be

• Five Guys Named Moe is at the Theatre Royal, Straiterd East, London E15 (081-534-0310), until

ALASTAIR MUIR



Clarke Peters, author of and performer in Five Guys Named Moe



Understanding other worlds IF YOU were a television interviewer, and a man sitting (for extraordinary speed and effnight's start to Nippon, a massive iciency, give or take a minor reasons presumably familiar to the eight-part series by Peter Pagnalate Salvador Dali) beneath a large menta for BBC 2, suggested that potential general strike, and that it painted cow told you that he has we still have a lot to learn about was achieved virtually without always to do up the top button of the so-called floating kingdom. further bloodshed has to be Coming at the end of a week of acounted one of the wonders of his shirt, for fear of getting wind on his collar bone, would you (a) the postwar world.

Impartiality?

THE THES



Can they judge for themselves the fairness of what they see and hear on television?

Forget the rows about tougher curbs in the Broadcasting Bill, says Colin __ Shaw, director of the Broadcasting Standards Council. Media education in schools is a better answer.

The TES - Friday

eyewitness reports from the survivors of Stalin and Nixon, the Japanese proved unusually intriguing interviewees, perhaps cause they are still comparatively new to the business. As a Tokyo radio reporter recalled, when he began to stick microphones under people's noses in 1945 they thought he was trying to shoot them with a strange new

The postwar American occupiers brought with them Hollywood biographies of Lincoln and Washington to inspire feelings of democracy and personal freedom, but Emperor Hirohito was still in the Imperial Palace and there were other problems to be resolved. Japanese audiences watching America the Beautiful deeply coveted the modern farm machinery. but did not care for shots of American farmers' wives having the audacity to speak to their husbands.

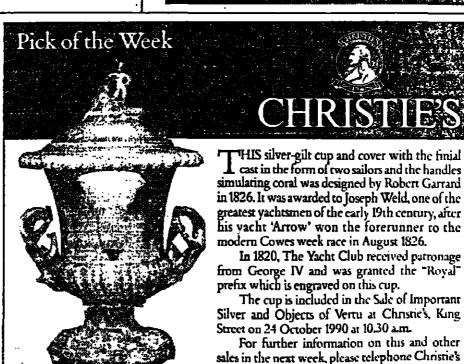
Americans seemed extremely inscrutable, especially to a Japanese newsman who had three baths in rapid succession before his interview with Hirohito, thereby setting himself apart from the Western observers, who would usually take a bath after meeting

But it was the occupying Americans who wrote Japan's postwar constitution in six days. The document closed down the armed forces and declared, to the amazement of the locals, that war was no longer to be their divine right, Meanwhile, at the Tokyo film studios, directors were having to train embarrassed Japanese actors in the art of the Hollywood kiss by tugging (out of vision) at their ankles, to indicate when enough was enough. And Reader's Digest was, by 1947, Japan's best-selling

But, then again, the Japanese have always been masters of efficiency, and as early as the autumn of 1945 their prime minister was noting that, with sufficient American funds, it should be possible to rebuild the economy. Rather than just giving us the viewing figures when this series ends, it would be good if the BBC could also tell us how many watching on Japanese sets.

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Sharper but still confusing

DANCE

The Prince of the Pagodas Covent Garden

KENNETH MacMillan has tightened up many details since his version of The Prince of the Pagodas was premiered last year, chiefly I think for more sharpness in the narrative. The ballet's chief virtues remain as before: the many ingenious solos for a large cast, set within the sweep of Britten's splendid score.

The story is still a weakness: involved, and at the same time uninvolving Part of Act III becomes more dramatic in this version than in Cranko's original. but turning Act II into a dream sequence leaves the choreographer struggling against the music, leading at times to "till-ready" scquences or at best to speciacular but unmotivated solos.

Only two of the four principals from the premiere were on hand for this season's opening performance on Friday night, but no-body should complain at a cast headed by Darcey Bussell as the heroine and Tetsuya Kumakawa as her faithful fool who provides the solution to nearly all problems. He dances with even more bulliance than before, repeatedly causing gasns in the audience with his enormous leaps, and affecting in his kahuki clown face.

I cannot say that Bussell has grown into her role, since it was

THEATRE

Democracy

Gate Theatre Club

GOOD guys do not always write

good plays. Nobody has more

right than the Nobel laureate and

former "social parasite" Joseph

Brodsky to pen a triumphant

satire about the collapse of com-

munism; but many lesser men

would have done so to greater

effect. To say that Democracy falls

flat would be a misrepresentation.

To do that, it would be necessary

for the play to get off the ground in

the first place; and it resolutely

refuses to do anything so definite.

room in some capsule East Euro-

pean country. A picture of Lenin

hangs over the silver, along with

prints of assorted other comrades.

including one who looks like Clement Freud but is probably

Fidel Castro. Anyway, the Head of

State and his ministers have

barely finished their grouse and

caviar (what else?) when Himself.

as Gorbachev is coyly called

throughout, phones to say that

democracy must be proclaimed

That launches the assembled

politicians into a long, scattered

discussion about what so obscure

a word means and so alien an idea

implies in practice. The talk

ranges widely: how to get foreign

aid, whether reviving the eel

within the hour.

The setting is a banqueting

made to measure for her, but she performs it with a blithe, lissome smoothness that seems Godgiven. The radiance of her smile. the infallible grace of her outline at each moment, are every bit as vital to the part as her extraordinary movement.

Robert Hill is her new partner. He is at his best as the fairy-tale prince: not, perhaps, with quite the firepower of Jonathan Cope in his last big solo, but light and easy. pacing himself well, and making far more sense of the character. He bothers all the time about the meaning of what he is doing.

In his transformation into a salamander. Hill is not yet so convincing he finds a harsh. tormented angularity for these sequences but misses the slippery. slithering quality. Nor does Deborah Bull succeed entirely as the wicked sister responsible for his suffering, her dancing is sharp, but not contrasted enough with the heroine (MacMillan must take some of the blame for this).

The presence of an American. Hill, and the imminent appearance of several Soviet and French stars in leading roles with the company is bound to lead (as Debra Craine wrote on Thursday) to controversy about risk to the Royal Ballet's English style. This is nothing new; as long ago as 1957, when Cranko's original Pagadas was created, it introduced strong Soviet influences into the company.

What is needed is a sense of history among the directors: to retain what is good from the past

industry would help the economy.

what to do about minorities.

political prisoners and censorship.

Eels presumably excepted, these

are subjects about which Brodsky

has strong views; but here he is

content to smile from the sidelines

as his characters jokily talk them-

selves into tangles likely to leave

the audience as confused as the

characters hope to make change as

cosmetic as possible. Thus the

Party boss restyles himself a

comfy. Western-sounding "Mr

President" in the time it takes to

call a press conference. As some-

one hopefully suggests, the 180-

degree turn proposed from Moscow could end up as a 360-

swingaround to the same place.

Brodsky's warning obviously has

point for Romania and Bulgaria, if

not so much for Czechoslovakia

and Hungary; but it would count

for more if put over with crisper

wit and greater subversive energy.

than Matthew Lloyd's would have

provided some such virtues. As it

is, this is one of those evenings in

which almost everybody seems to

be speaking in those knowing,

blase, wincingly ironic tones

which English actors habitually

attribute to members of any

foreign. That adds little punch or

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

Perhaps a sharper production

What is clear, though, is that his

speakers.



that is not much in evidence

lately. The supporting company as a whole does well including a newcomer, William Trevitt. who makes the King of the West as impressive as his three rivals. Nicholas Georgiadis's designs,

Inspired dancing: Darcey Bussell and Robert Hill with what is new. Unfortunately, somewhat revised for the costumes, look good. On Friday night, Richard Bernas conducted a sound account of the score (apart from an errant trumpet), and quite possibly the slowest performance to date of "God Save the Queen".

JOHN PERCIVAL

CONCERT

OAE/Brüggen Oueen Elizabeth Hall

THIS was a wonderful concert. Anybody who still doubts that the standard of period-style players lingers behind that of those who used to be thought of as their mainstream counterparts would hastily think again after hearing the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, conducted in two of the three works by Frans

Bruggen, in this sort of form. There were, as there always are, one or two tiny accidents - a suspicion of a not quite unanimous entry here, a premature brush on a string there, and a fairly disastrous tilt by the natural horns at their opening high notes in the first movement of Beethoven's Seventh Symphony. These things did not matter, however, because the spirit was highly charged, the sound, both of strings and wind. was secure, well-defined and cultivated, and the instrumental balance revealed some hitherto

unsuspected things. The programme helped, of course, It began with C.P.E. Bach's late Symphony in B flat, Wq 182 No 2, which the OAE's string helm, gave while standing. They dispatched this extraordinarily barmonically wayward and vibrant piece (as much of Bach's

music is) like demons possessed. plunging with relish from one shock to the next. Such music might not have been quite up to the minute in 1773 (as the programme notes pointed out, orchestras tended by then to include wind instruments as a matter of course, and formal balance was the order of the day), but when played like this it can make the hair stand on end.

So, still, does a work as established as Haydn's "Clock" Symphony, No 101, if it is delivered with the freshness which it possessed here. Scintillatingly brilliant first and last movements framed a perfectly weighted Andante (the "tick-tock" movement itself), in whose teasing humour Beznosiuk's beautifully gauged flute playing took on an especially vital role.

To surpass the sheer sense of joy radiated by Bruggen's reading of this work was impossible, but Beethoven's earthier celebration of the spirit was equally compelling, equally impulsive, and equally carefully prepared. Even if the slow movement might have been a touch rapid for some tastes, nobody could have failed to thrill to the horns' rousing rawness at the end; perhaps their earlier faux pas succeeded in maintaining that balanced on a knife-edge which is a part of every great performance.

STEPHEN PETTITT

ROCK The Pixies Odeon, Hammersmith

TO BE watching The Pixies in a rock venue as mainstream as the Hammersmith Odcon seemed wrong, and they were as surprised to be there as anyone else. "Lotta seats in this place." noted bassist Kim Deal sardonically, used as she is to playing the kind of places where people hurl themselves about a bit.

That The Pixies are now so big they have to play the Hammersmith Odeon says much about the power of our weekly rock press to rally continued resistance to the

status quo of dance-oriented pop

variety to the satire, either.

The group is a quartet from Boston who not only eschew rock orthodoxy but have no truck with funky rhythm or sax appeal, yet The Pixies are the most successful independent-label band since The Smiths. This is where the frayed, visceral, neo-hardcore spirit of

punk lives on There is little of the theatrical in a Pixies show. As a front man, the dumpy, lumberjack-shirted Black Francis makes Morrissey look like Diana Ross, while his cohorts bring to mind the Talking Heads in their collegiate, New York CBGB's days. The readers of the rock press are not here for theatre, however. They are here for the savage intensity of the sound, the

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

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distorted guitars, the riffs that are never too biatant.

People talk about the glorious "shards" of melody embedded in The Pixies' sonic bombardment. but it is not always easy to pick them out. If their overlapping. interlacing harmonies occasionally strike the ear as incongruously pretty, the group strays about as far from standard tunefulness as is acceptable within a rock context. One is never entirely sure where one is in a Pixies song.

Whether it is the blasting garage punk of "Broken Face" "Tony's Theme", or the slower strains of "Havalina" and the Sugar-Cubes-ish "Gigantic", there is always the same sense of wilful obtuseness in The Pixies' sound. I am told they are all about "the lure

of abjection" and "the degradation of language", but how purely intellectual is their flirtation with the primal grunge of noise, only they know.

Doubtless this is the postmodern condition of rock: too sated and jaded to go back to the inane sonic violence of the Stooges, audiences settle for a kind of meta-hardcore, an indie rock music about rock. It is not at all surprising that The Pixies boast a song entitled "Rock Music".

The audience still bangs its collective head to a brutal beat. but it knows that rock is now too knowing, too self-referential, to induce the dionysiac abandonment of its heyday.

BARNEY HOSKYNS

CINEMA GUIDE

NEW RELEASES

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of a district, a collectorate in the old Indian Empire, from the Hindi ta'aling an estate; Wellington: "He may hereafter plunder the remainder of that taluk." LENTISK (c) The mastic tree, Pistocia lentiscus, from the Latin name lentiscus: "Who courteous bade us

on soft beds recline/Of lentisk, and young SOETKOEKIE (a) A traditional South African spiced biscuit.

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9.00 News, regional news and weather 9.05 Brainwave. Andy Craig with the quiz game from Liverpool 9.25 Dish of the Day. Rosemary Moorr with another recipe 9.30 People Today Adrian Mills, Debi Jones, Ronke Phillips and Leita Aitken answer viewers' questions

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10.00 News, regional news and weather
10.05 Children's BBC introduced by
Simon Parkin begins with Playdays
10.25 The Family Ness. Cartoon
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11.00 News, regional news and weather 11.05 Kilroy. Robert Kilroy-Silk chairs a topical discussion

11.45 Before Noon. Adrian Mills and
Ronke Phillips with viewers' telephone

12.00 News, regional news and weather.
12.05 After Noon. Antiques Roadshow
Gems. Hugh Scully with a selection of
memorable extracts from the
Antiques Roadshow series 12.20 Scene Today. Alan Titchmersh and Judi Spiers with the daily entertainment show from Pebble Mill 12.55 Regional news and weather

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton, Weather 1.30 Neighbours, (Ceefax) 1.50 Four Square. Out: show 2.15 The Stx Million Dollar Man: Love Song for Tanya. The man of many spare parts protects a visiting Russian gymnast 3.00 Hudson and Halls. The camp Kwi

det in live

cooks are joined by comedian Bernie Winters 3.25 Head of the Cla American comedy set in a class of gifted but obnoxious students 3.50 Fireman Sam. Cartoon fun 4.05 A Bear Behind 4.10 The Chipmunks 4.25

Pigsty: Comedy series set in a pizza cale 4.35 Thundercats, Cartoon sround 5.05 Blue Peter.

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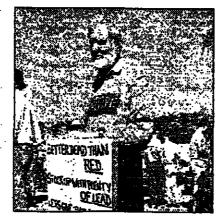
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7.00 Wogan. Among the guests is actress Maureen Lipman
7.30 Watchdog includes an item on how Edition Cres design with corpolalists

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8.30 'Alto 'Alto! Resistance face with Gorden Kaye. (r). (Cestax)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News, with Martyn

Lewis Regional news and west 9.30 Panorama: The White Tribe of Africa. The second of two reports by David Dimbleby in South Africe locks at the white minority and how far it is reconciled to change.



White fears: resistance to change (9.30pm)

10.20 Mencuso FBI: Murder of Pearl. viancuso goes undercover and behind bars to expose corruption in the Sureau. Northern freiand: Flash McVeigh 10.25 Uister in Focus 10.45 Mancuso

11.05 The Rock 'n' Roll Years, 1973 - the year that saw the end of the Vietnam conflict and the start of the miners strike. With musical memories provided by Elton John and Suzie Quatro,

among others (r)
11.35 Help Your Child with Reading presented by Maggie Philbin.

11.50 Advice Shop investigates the child benefit system. Northern Ireland: 11.45
The Rock 'n' Roll Years 12.15am12.45 Advice Shop 12.20am Weather

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5.00 TV-am begins with News and Good Morning Britain presented by Maya Even and, from 7.00, by Mike Morris and Lorraine Kelly. At 8.10, in the first of a week-long series on truancy, its causes and extent are investigated in the Doc Spots at 6.20 and 8.35 Dr Hilary Jones discusses cholesterol and heart disease. At 8.50 Wacaday. entertainment for children presented by Timmy Mallett

9.25 Jeopardy! Chris Donat has the answers, his contestants must guess the questions 9.55 Thames News

10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . John Stapleton chairs a topical discussion 10.40 This Morning. Family-onented magazine show presented by Judy Firmigan and Richard Madeley
Prince Edward joins the programme as a
presenter when he talks about the
Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme, and
those who have attempted to achieve a cold award

12.05 Rosie and Jim. Children's entertainment 12.25 Home and Away. 12.55 Thames News and weather 1.00 News at One with John Suchet 1.20 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley and

John Murray preview this week's

programmes of Thames Help dealing nth food issues. 1.50 A Country Practice. Australian drama set in a community health clinic in the outback 2.20 Magnum. Glossy adventures of a aii-based private detective 3.15 ITN News headlines 3.20 Thames News headlines 3.25 Families. Br continental soap featuring families Australia and the north of England

3.55 Bugs Bunny and Friends, Cartoons (r) 4.15 The Sooty Show with Matthew Corbett 4.40 Count Duckula

eaturing the voice of David Jason 5.10 Who's the Boss? American sricom 5.40 News with Nicholas Owen, Weather 5.55 Thames Help with advice on breast teeding

6.00 Home and Away (r) 6.30 Thames News and weather 7.00 The Krypton Factor, Gordon Burns hosts the final of Group B, in which contestants attempt to move closer o November's grand final. (Oracle) 7.30 Coronation Street. The lirst of the week's three visits to the Rover's

Return (Oracle) 8.00 French Fields. Lightweight comedy series starring Anion Rodgers and Julia McKenzie as an English couple living in France

8.30 World in Action: Inside Today's KGB. Oleg Gordlevsky, the former double agent in the KGB, reveals the complicated world of Soviet intelligence and conducts a "masterclass" in the dirty tricks of espionage Shelley. The once subversive sitcom

has sadly settled for more conventional humour. Shelley believes that he is first choice for best man when he is asked by Phil, who is attempting to tie the knot for the third time. Shelli may be acceptable to Phil, but will he be good enough for the bride's mother? Staming Hywel Bennett, David Ryall and Maria Ailken 9.30 That's Love. Comedy series about the trials of true love. Tonight Donald's etermination to prove his innocence of infidelity leads him to make a date with Laurel. Starring Jimmy Mulville,

Drana Hardcastle and Liza Goddard

10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Burnet

and Trevor McDonald Weather 10.30 Thames News and weathe 10.40 Film: A Fistful of Dollars (1966). Stars Clint Eastwood, Gran Maria Volonte, and Marianne Koch. A wandering gunfighter rides into a town on the Mexican border where two gangs are involved in a deadly feud. He joins in, earning money from both sides and swearing lovally to none but himself The first Clint Eastwood spaghetti Western to introduce the Man with No Name is stylish, brooding and violent as it explores the theme that nobody is good and those with few morals make the best heroes. The plot was borrowed from Kurosawa s Youmbo and, like his other masterpiece Seven Samurai, translates well as a Western. Directed by Sergio Leone Followed by News headknes 12.25am Sportsworld Extra. Action from

the British super-featherweight title as Joev Jacobs defends his title against Hugh Forde, plus a review of t

veekend's football news 1.25 Film: The Keys of the Kingdom (1944, b/w) starring Gregory Peck Thomas Mitchell and Vincent Price When The Rev McNabb sees that rancis Chisholm is torn between two loves - a woman and the priesthood - he suggests that he go to China as a missionary Rambling edaptation of an A.J. Cronin novel, which has really been engineered as a star vehicle for Peck, who does well m his first major role. Directed by John M. Stahl, Followed by News headlines
4.00 American College Football.
Pittsburgh play Syracuse

5.00 ITN Morning News with Gilly Carter Ends at 6.00

BBC 2

8.00 News stminster. The BBC partiamentary team with a round-up of the business from the Lords and the

Commons 8.30 Daytime on Two: the quality of drinking water 9.00 A walk along the Appian Way 9.15 For people with learning difficulties 9.40 Mathematical investigations 10.00 Storytime 10.18 Clicks and claps to make rhythm patterns 10.40 What is believing? For seven to 11-year-olds 11.00 Energy generated by water 11.22 Me and My Bike, a science drama 11.35 Aesthetics and design 11.55 An environmental controversy 12.15 Trade union affairs since the second world war 12.35 Equal opportunities for disabled school leavers 1.00 Infe-red ight and ultrasonic sound 1.20 Pigeon Street 1.40 Lancashire children question the prime minister on water

collution 2.00 News and weather followed by

Storytime 2.15 Songs of Praise from Rostrevor in County Down (r). (Cee 2.50 Behind the Screen. A previous Twin Peaks, the new series directed by cult film-maker David Lynch, which

begins tomorrow on BBC2. 3.00 News and weather followed by Wideworld: The Last Hunters. A documentary about the dwindling number of eskimo whale hunters (r) 3.50 News, regional news and

4.00 Call My Bluff. Robert Robinson referees a contest of word meanings. between Arthur Marshall and Frank Muir. The guests are Mike Read, Jancis Robinson, Jane Glover and Spike Milligan (r) 4.30 Fighting Talk.

 CHOICE: A series of interviews by the philosopher and writer Anne Kelleher



Powerful challenge: Anne Ketieher (4.30pm)

sets out to challenge the assumptions of those with the power and influence to attect our lives. This afternoon's conversation with Peter Morgan, director general of the Institute of Directors, was not recorded in time for previewing. Tomorrow's was and suggests that Fighting Talk will live up to its title and offer some lively encounters. Kelleher, who presented a provocative Byline programme on marriage, is a sharp and licent cuestioner who is not afraid to ruffle feathers. Her interrogation of Sir John Woodcock, chief inspector of constabulary, goes straight to the heart of such matters as corruption, racism and the handling of public demonstrations. Whether Celleher should so obviously reveal herself as being on the side of the police's critics, instead of adopting the elevision interviewer's traditionally neutral role; is a good question 5.00 Film: Colorado Territory (1949, b/w) starring Joef McCrea, Virginia Mayo and Dorothy Malone. A powerful, fastmoving remake of High Siarra about an

outlaw who escapes from prison and

is persuaded to take part in one more

bbery before retiring. Directed by

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12.00 BBC Philharmonic under Heinz Wallberg, with Justus Franz,

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1.00pm News
1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert: Live from St. John's, Smith Square.

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Robert Holt, bass-bartione,
and Rudel' Jansen, plano,
perform Beethoven (Six Songs
to Sacred Texts by Gellert, Op
48; An die Hoffhung, Op 94);
Schubert (Hymne I; Litanet;
Mans, Nachthymne); Pitzner
(Three Sonnets, Op
41)
2.05 Thad Opinon (r)
2.50 The BBC Concert Orchestra
under the late Ashley
Lawrence performs excerpts
from Paul Reade's ballet
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3.50 Cello and Fortepiano:
Sebastian Comberti and
Carole Cerasi perform Helene
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6.35 DEF II: Dence Energy. Normski introduces the up-to-the-minute dence magazine
7.15 Open Space: Children of Fire.

 CHOICE: The community acce ries starts a new series by offering the slot normally occupied by dome issues to Mai Masri, e Palestinian filmker, for a personal view of life on the occupied left bank of Israel. He approach, highly effective, is to leave aside political slogans and concentrate on the human . dimension, with special reference to the children. Returning to her home town of Nebtus after 14 years, she finds the place under curiew and a family ated with grief for their son, killed by Israeli soldiers. It is some days fore the body is returned for burial and meanwhile children of five and six roam the streets, throwing stones inst the Israeli occupiers. The tracedy is that the youngsters have

known nothing else and the psychological impact of living in a state of war is incalculable. (Ceefax) 8.05 Eyes on the Prize: Back to the **Movement. The final cart of this** excellent documentary series tracing the struggle for black equality and civil rights in America since the war

9.05 Film: The Big Bus (1976) starring Joseph Bologna and Stockard Channing. The world's first nuclear powered bus sets off across the plains of America, but with rival interests and prospective thieves queuing up to try to sabotage it. One of the earlier send-ups of the disaster movie genre, it loses not a single opportunity for a gag or word play. The result is not as funny as Airplane, but they try just as hard. Directed by James Fra (Ceefax)

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine 11.55 Weather 12.00 Fighting Talk. See 4.30. Ends at 12.35am

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Art of Landscape. Film of the natural world accompanied by music 6.20 Business Daily
6.30 The Channel Four Daily

9.25 Schools

12.00 Anything Goes, Paul Barnes and Anthea Turner visit Britain's top tourist attractions, some familiar, some undiscovered in this programme they try out two different acti north Staffordshire, there is a visit to the National Garden Festival in Gateshead and a look at a new sculpture trail in the Chilterns (r) 12.30 Business Daily presented by

Dermot Mumaghan 1.00 Sesame Street. Educational fun for

pre-school children 2.00 Film: Jew Süss (1934, b/w) starring Conrad Veidt, Frank Vosper and Bentia Hume. A compelling indictment of racial intolerance adapted from Leon Feuchtwangler's novel. A Jewish ghetto dweller in 18th-century Wurtemburg uses a combination of cunning and ruthlessness to further the cause of his people. Directed by Lothar Mender

4.00 Vintage. Hugh Johnson tells the story of wine, from its birth to its newest forms now emerging from the hi-tech wineries of California and Australia (r) 4.30 Fifteen-to-One. William G. Stewart hosts the quiz show

5.00 The Late Late Show. Dublin's music and chat show 6.00 Roseanne. Sitcom starring

Roseanne Barr as a housewife and mother who thrives on one-liners and rapier-like wit John Goodman is her loval and understanding husband (r) 6.30 Happy Days. High-school comedy

set in the Fifties. Fonz falls in love with an older woman from a different social background, none of this finds out she is married, the real problems come to light

7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and 7.50 Comment followed by Weather

8.00 Brookside. Liverpudian soap that charts the trials and tribulations of the residents of a suburban cul-de-sac. Teletex () 8.30 Don't Quote Me. Geoffrey Perkins

hosts the lest in the series of the panel game in which two teams battle to answer questions on prophecy and prediction with guests who include Rory McGrath, John Biffen MP and Mark



Classroom campaigns: rural terror (9.00pm)

9.00 Terror: The Death of Reason. CHOICE Television's facility for getting into the world's trouble spots is illustrated by an admirably lucid account of the ten-year-old crivil war in Chile Whether it fulfils the promise of the senes to get to the roots of modern terrorism is more arguable As in last week's documentary about the Israel-Palestine conflict, the accent is

more on narrative than analysis and there is a reluctance to draw general conclusions. The Death of Reason follows the bloody struggle between ostensibly democratic government and the guernilas of Sendero Luminoso (Shining Path), in which at least 20,000 people have died. The film highlights Sendero's Magist tactic of creating power vacuums in rural areas and attributes its rise to poverty and racism in a country where a minority of wealthy whites of European descent control the dark-skinned poor Both sides have resorted to acis of terror and the real victims are the peasants. many widowed or orphaned

10.00 Centrepoint, Four part thriller, stronger on theme than narrative, which spans three decades and follows a young man's search for the truth about his father, who apparently died in a car crash in 1979. Starnno Bob Peck. Cheryl Campbell and Murray Head. 11.00 Fresno. A spool soap, that could be a lot junnier, but still has its moments. based on the Californian raisin industry and two warning families

Stamng Dabney Coleman 12.00 Evil: Confronting Evil. Last in the series that examines why we are perplexed, repelled and fescinated by evil. The programme looks at the afrocities committed in the second world war and tries to discover what makes people such as Dennis Nilsen and Peter Sutcliffe become mass murderers (Teletext)

1.00am Fortunata and Jacinta Episode seven of the ten-part adaptation of Benito Perez Galdos' novel, which lells the story of two women who love the same man, one his wife. the other his mistress (r) Ends at 2.00

RADIO 3

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Boskovsky parforms J. Strauss, son (Reses from the South) 7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): The
Philhermonia Orchestra under
Guilini performs (The Thieving Magne); City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra under Louis Fremeux, with Cristina Ortiz, performs Poulenc (Piano Critz, performs Publish (Palish Concerto): David Theodore, oboe; and Ian Brown, piano, perform Nielsen (Two Fantasias, Op 2): Royal Opera House Orchestra under Ermler-performs Arensky (Veriations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky)

8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week: Steve Reich. Pat Methany, guitar, performs Electric Counterpoint; Russ Hartenberger, with the composer, perform Clapping Music, Nurt Titles and Edmund Niemann, pianos, perform Prano Phase: Sherri

Guibbory, violin, performs Violin Phase 9.35 Shades of Night and Day: Herbert Wessberg and Raphæl Leone, flutes, Robert Freund, Alors Schlor, homs, perform Haydn (Notturni for two flutes and two homs, H 11 D5); Marcia Crayford, violin, Christopher van Kampen, cello, and Clifford Benson, piano, perform Schubert (Adagio in E Flat, Notrumo, D 897): The Czech Philharmonic Orchestra under Neumann, with Vera Soukuroova, mezzo

with Vera Soukupova, mezzo, pertorms jarostav Kricka (Northern Lights): Orlando Sting Quartet performs Haydn (String Quartet in B flat, Op 76, No 4, Surnise): Bournemouth Sintonietta and the Bournemouth Sintonietta Choir under del Mar, with Indiana (Northern Light) and Indiana (Northern Light). Crior tarous vos vos.
Frederick Luddle, violin,
perform Vaughan Williams
(Flos Campi), Philhammonia
Hungarica under Antal Dorati
performs Haydn (Symphony performs Haydn (Symphony No 7 in C, Le Midi), Margaret Phillips, organ, performs Bustefude (Canzona in C; WV 166), Sweelinck (Paduana Lachsmae); Bustefude ("Gigue" Fugue in C. WV 174); Philhamonia Hungarica under Antal Dorati performs Heydn (Symphony No 8 in G, Le Sor)

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9.55 Glasgow Jazz Festival 1990:
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Nouveau Sand Nouveau Sand
11.30 Composers of the Week:
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and 3) (r) 12.30am News
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BADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Ferming Todgy 6.25 Prayer For The Day with the Reverend Pauline Warmer (s) 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 8.55, 7.55 Weather 8.35 The Week On 4 8.43 Return

Ticket: Robert Edwards remembers the birth of the first test tube baby, Louise Brown (s) 8.57 Weather 9.00 9.05 Start the Week with Melvyn

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11.00 News; Down Your Way: Phil Smith explores the Yorkshire Dates (r)
11.40 Poetry Please! Simon Ree introduces your poetry requests. Readers Eleine Ives-Cemeron and John Metshikiza, with guest Dereck Walcott (s)
12.00 News; You and Yours with John Howard. The third of the weekly senes about recent health scares looks at outbreaks of botulism
12.25pm Counterpoint: The fourth heal in the general knowledge heat in the general knowledge music competition, chared by Ned Sherrin (s) 12.55 Weather

Cochereau (Variations)
5.30 Mamly for Pleasure introduced
by Brian Wright
7.00 News 7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear: The South African actor and writer John Kani talks to Paul Allen
7.30 BBC Symphony Orchestra: Societh Anniversary Season. Live from the Festival Hall.
The BBC SO under Andrew Pauls performs Stran 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; Woman's Hour with 2:00 News; Woman's Hour with Jenni Murray, Seriek An Awfully Big Adventure. The fourth of eight pents, read by the author, Beryl Benthidge 3:00 News; Torn, Dickon, Harry, by Christopher Denys. In 1484 a men with a future, a great lady, a man with a past and the founder of the communication revolution. Davis performs Stravinsky (Symphony in C): Prokofiev (Viotin Concerto No 2); 8.30 Speak Memory, Hugh Dickso reads Vladimir Nabokov's memoirs from his
St Petersburg schooldays;
8,50 Rachmaninov
(Symphonic Dences, Op 45)
9,35 Poet of the Month: Edwin
Morgan reads from his
translations of the Italian poet

the founder of the communication revolution meet in an awful pub on Alderley Edge, and English history lurches forward. Instory lurches forward.
Maurice Denham pleys Tom,
with Frona Walker as Lady
Margaret, John Rowe as
Caxton, Mary Wimbush as Old
Joan, Neville Barber as Dickon and Jenny Luckrett as Joan (s) 4.30 Kaleidoscope. The American author John Updike has.

brought his rumbustious

Rabbit, hero of four novels, back in Rabbit at Rest. Paul Vaughan talks to Updike at h home in Massachusetts about rome in wassacrusers about Rabbil, and his place in the American literary tradition (s) 5.00 PM with Valene Singleton and Hugh Syles 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial

Report 6.30 The News Quiz: Topical quiz hosted by Barry Took (6) (1)

hosted by Barry Took (s) (r)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 The Food Programme with
Derek Cooper (r)
7.45 The Monday Play: The
Importance of Being Frank.

• CHOICE: Only someone
soaked in the trials and
tribulations of Oscar Wilde
could have thought up this. could have thought up this darkish comedy, and only someone who knows The inside out could have written it. But only a playwright of breatfraking audacity, such as Tom Holland, would have dered to use The Importance as the framework for a hypera.

as the framework for a bizarre as the framework for a business eighterpretation of Wilde's downfall, and only a skilled write sould have pulled it off with such style. To give a flavour of what Holland has done: his Marquis of Queensberry and Bosie are metamorphosed into Lady Bracknell and Algemon, Ernest is Wilde in all but name, and the famous cloakroom in Victoria Station has now become an infamous urnal. The Brighton line is unchanged

9.15 (alexacope (s) (r) 9.45 The Financial World Tonight with Roger White (s) 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight with

10.00 The World Toright with Richard Kershaw (s)
10.45 A Book At Bedtime: Jonathan Son of Jeremiah. Short novel by Valian Totovents, set in Armenia, tells the story of Andreas, an aged potter. First of five parts, read by Andrew Sachs (s)
11.00 Largety Walters. John Walters lends his wit and wisdom to stones from around the stones from around the country. This week he tackles the subject of food (r) 11.30 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.30am News, incl 12.20 12.33-12.43 Shipping Forecast

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SKY ONE

SATELLITE

5.00am Sky World Review 5.30 Interns Business Report Week 6.00 DJ Kei Show 8.45 Panel Pot-Pourn 10.00 Here's Lucy 10.30 The Young Dockors 11.00 Ský by Day 12.00 True Contessoons 12.30pm Sale of the Century 1.00 Another World 1.50 As the World Turns 2.45 Lowing 3.15 Three's Company 3.45 The DJ Kei Show 5.00 Star Treis 6.00 Sate of the Century 6.30 Family Ties 7.00 Love at First Spir 7.30 ALF 8.00 Stucenass 10.00 Love at First Sport 10.30 Bluegrass 10.00 Love at First Sight 10.30 The Hitchniker 11.00 Star Trek 12.00 Pages

SKY NEWS 5.00am Sky News Overnight 5.30 in-ternational Business Report Week 6.00 Sky News Europe 6.30 Sky News Interna-tional 9.30 48 Hours 10.30 Those Were the hons 9.30 48 Hours 10.30 Those Were the Days 11.00 Sky News 11.30 Beyond 2000 1.30pm NBC Today -Part One 2.30 Parismant Live 4.00 Sky News Interna-tional 4.30 Beyond 2005 5.00 Live at Five 6.30 Newsine 7.30 Sky News Interna-tional 8.30 Frank Bough 9.30 48 Hours 11.30 NBC Nightly News 12.30am Newsine 1.30 48 Hours 2.30 Beyond 2000 National Processing 1.30 48 Hours 2.30 Beyond 2000

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EUROSPORT 5.00am As Sky One 8.30 European Power Lifting Championships 9.30 Europics 10.00 Trax 12.00 Formula One Motor Racing Grand Prix of Japan 2.00 Shooker

4.00 A Day at the Beach 5.00 Rowing 5.30 Equestrainism 7.00 Surfer Magazine 7.30 Eurosport News 8.00 Baseball 9.00 World Snooker 19.00 Bourng 11.00 American College Football 12.30am Eurosport News 1.00 Close SCREENSPORT

7.00am Powersports International 8.00 Rodeo 10.00 Boxing 11.30 Polo 12.30pm Rodeo 1.00 American Football 2.00 "Go" Dutch Motor Sports 3.00 Motor Sport 4.00 Motor Sport 5.00 Basenal 7.30 Sparsah Football Roundup 8.00 Boxing 9.30 The Sports Snow 10.30 Motor Sport 11.30 Tenns

7.00am Nineteen hours of rock and

DOO MUSIC LIFESTYLE

Titlem Everyday Workout 10.30 Search for Tomorrow 10.55 Coffee Breas 11.00 We're Cooking Now 11.35 The Edge of Night 12.00 Safy Jessy Raphael 12.50 What's Cooking 71.00 Great American Gameshows 2.10 Dworce Court 2.30 Harlerty 5 Rules 3.30 It's Your Lifestyle 3.40 Home Shop Lifestyle 4.05 Great American Gameshows 5.20 The Break 5.30 The Tony Randal Show 8.00 The Self-e-Vision Shopping Channel 8.00 Close

BSB MOVIES

2.10pm The Movie Show
2.40 Loser Takes All (1956) Sters
Glyris Johns and Rossano Brazza A newlywedded couple spend their honeymoon in Monte Carlo and play the casino ther mamage 4.25 Play It Cool (1962 b/w) Rock 'n' ty stamng Billy Fury and Michael 6.00 The Ewolk Adventure: Caravan

6.00 The Ewoli Adventure: Caravan of Courage (1984) Fantasy adventure starting Ent Walker and Warwick Davis 8.00 La Cage Aux Folies III: The Wedding (1985) Michel Semault, Ugo Tognazzi, Michel Galebru in a second sequel to the 1978 Int film 10.00 A Prayer for the Dyling (1987): Staming Bob Hostors, Alan Batles and Mickey Pourke A disallusioned IFA Intiman is tabled into one list job ked anto one last job 11.55 Invession of the Body Snatchers (1976). Starting Donald Sutherland, Brooke Adems and Leonard Nimoy. A aviour among his firends and col-legues, and discovers that their bodies ave been taken over by alien duplicates 2.00am La Cage Aux Folies ilk: The

RADIO 1 Device visits Perm 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 New 9.00 in Concert Classic Four Tops 10.00-2.00s

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Hutert Gregg 7.30 Alan Dell 8.30 Big Bend Special 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton 10.00 Ken
Bruce 12.05am Jazz Parade 12.30 Double Bil 1.00-4.00 Night Ride "RADIO 5

6.00mm World Service: News and Twenty-four 6.00em World Service News and Interny-four Hours 6.30 Morrang Edition 9.00 Take Five 10.25 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 for toddlers 10.45 Internal Assonance 11.00 Sport 11.02 The Family Business, incl 12.00 News, Sport 12.30 pm The Leading Edge 3 Few Weldon 1.00 Sport 1.05 As Radio 32.00 Sport 2.05 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 2, 30 World Service 2.30 Sportsy Today 2.45 Personal Were 3.00 Sport 3.05 Outlook 3.30 The Fourth World 4.05 Science in Action 4.35 Five Aside 7.20 Magic, Tricks and Lies 7.35 The Ship from Simnel Street Episode 2.8.05 How We Lived Then 8.20 Euro-Niki 9.00 Naccheth, Part 3.9.30 The Micr. Incl. 10.00, 11.00 Sport 11.00 World Committee 1.00 February 11.00 World Service: 11.08 The World of Books 11.38 The World Today 11.53 World of Faith 11.58-12.05em Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times on BST. 6.00am Morgannagazin 8.35
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BSB GALAXY

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11.30 31 West 12.00 Jupiter Moon
12.30 pm The Bold and the Beautiful
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Restless

BSB SPORT 125pm Sportsdesk 1.30 Scottish Footbell 3.30 Rugby League: Australian Tour 5.00 Tuff Trax 6.00 Sportsdesk 6.30 Amencan Wiresting 7.30 Sportsdesk 8.00 The Main Event: Italian Footbell 10.00 Sportsdesk 10.30 Superbouts 11.30 Racing Today 12.00 Sportsdesk 12.30am itsšan Footbell

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BSB POWER 7.00em Twenty-one hours of rook and

The Iceman Melteth.

A CHEQUE DRAWN ON THE BANK OF ICELAND accompanied by a request for six bottles of The Macallan Malt Tutor. "A few sips Whisky, started a lively debate at the Distillery the other day. Was it wise for these stern countrymen of ice

blandishments of The Macallan? That billowing sherryoak redolence, with its hints of the

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could undo centuries of stoicism". But our Sales Director prevailed, and The Macailan was despatched the same evening. However. if you are planning a trip to Iceland, it might now be wise to include a paper hat and comfortable South. some streamers.

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Breakthrough hailed for new Aids treatment

By THOMSON PRENTICE, MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

developed in Britain could give protection from the disease to people infected with HIV for as long as 20 years, researchers said

yesterday.
Transfusions of virus antibodies to patients with early symptoms of Aids dramatically slows their deterioration, a study has shown

A few British patients given the transfusions have had remissions of almost two years from Aids-related illnesses. Refinements in the treatment could extend that period by many years, according to Abraham Karpas, a virologist at Cambridge university.
Dr Karpas was the first scientist

in Britain to isolate the virus after its discovery by French and American researchers in 1983.

The transfusions of plasma containing HIV antibodies from otherwise healthy carriers of the

Leader of Lebanese clan killed

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Witnesses said four men in uniform arrived at Mr Chamoun's residence shortly before 6six o'clock in the morning and forced the concierge to lead them to Mr Chamoun's home in the fifth floor of a modern apartment block. They knocked the door and were allowed in by the governess.

Mr Chamoun, who was drink-ing coffee in his pyjamas, had evidently no suspicton. He invited them to the sitting room and was shot I I times as soon as he sat on the sofa His wife, Ingrid Adbel-Noor, was gunned down as she came out of the bedroom.

Tarek, the couple's son aged seven, who also rushed to find out what was happening received a bullet in the face and died instantly in the hallway. Julian, aged five, tried in vain to hide. He was found fatally wounded under his bed and died at a hospital. Tamara, their eleven-month old sister, was found unharmed in her

"They apparently did not know she existed," said a relative. Reporters saw her held by her weeping Lebanese governess, aged 65, at the apartment.

The assassins fled in two cars and, as usual in Lebanon, no group claimed responsibility for the murders. Yesterday, as Lebanese leaders condemned the killings, it became apparent that whoever committed them had

the Lebanese Army.

The assassins, who collected every single spent cartridge of their 9 mm automatic pistols, had left a two-way Motorola radio identical to those used by the Lebanese Army, witnesses said.

A NEW anti-Aids treatment virus effectively turns back the clock on the progress of the infection, Dr Karpas, of the university's haematology depart-

> "I am convinced that we can extend the natural latency of the virus, which may be ten years, by another five or ten years in the early stages of the disease. This is a tremendous prospect for people who are infected but as yet have

had no symptoms," he said.
"We believe the treatment offers a new lease of life, without side effects, and during that time new drugs to cure or treat Aids may be found."

The results of a study of the treatment by Dr Karpas and colleagues at two London hospitals have been published in this month's issue of Proceedings of the American National Academy of

In the study, ten patients with Aids or the less severe Aids Related Complex (ARC) received monthly transfusions of plasma containing high levels of HIV antibodies from donors who were carriers but free of disease.

The patients were treated at the St Stephen's and Westminster hospitals in London. Five of the six terminal Aids cases died within 17 months of treatment, but the ARC patients have remained well. The results suggest that the earlier the transfusions are given, the greater the benefit.

The therapy is called passive

immunisation. Antibodies to HIV contained in purified plasma from donors appear capable of neutralising the virus by boosting the recipient's immune system.

Dr Karpas stressed yesterday that the study did not establish the therapy as a proven treatment, but said it was an attractive altenative to zidovudine, or AZT, the only drug known to keep Aids at bay.

"We need further, carefully controlled studies, but the evidence we now have suggests that we could delay the development of Aids by many years," he said. The treatment is unlikely to

become widely available in Britain for some time. In California doctors have been given US government approval for a clinical trial involving more than 200 The Cambridge researchers are

now trying to produce the antibodies from genetic engineering techniques. If successful, this would mean that plasma transfusions from donors would not be

• Ex-gratia plan: The government is considering providing an ex-gratia payment for the 1,216 haemophiliacs infected with the Aids virus in an attempt to end the sufferers (Richard Ford writes.

Negotiations began last week Lawyers representing the victims of contaminated blood clotting products and sources close to the Haemophilia Society believe a settlement could be close.



Beach assault: More than 300 Moto Cross bikes took part yesterday in races on Weymouth sands, with 100 bikes for each race in senior, junior and expert classes

Ashdown rejects pre-election deal

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

jected any pre-electoral deals between Labour and the Liberal Democrats as a way of defeating the Conservatives at the next general election. Mr Ashdown said that his party

would be prepared to sacrifice a very great deal to win a fairer voting system if they held the balance of power after the next election. He said that constitutional reform, including a bill of rights, would be central to any discussions with Labour or the Conservatives on forming a coalition administration.

He said that a change in the electoral system was essential. "It is of such profound importance to us, among the other things we would like to do, that bringing the kind of democracy that will provide stable, decent government to Britain will be something for which we would be prepared to sacrifice a very great deal."

Mr Ashdown, speaking on LWT's Walden programme, added: "I am not allow this country and the people of this country to suffer under the cosy conspiracy between the Conservatives and Labour to perpetuate a corrupt and scandalous electoral system that takes power away from the British

people and puts it in the hands of politicians who run the centre." Mr Ashdown has so far refused to outline in detail what his party's

platform on constitutional reform will be at the election. However, he has promised that before polling day it would announce what the party would demand in the event of it holding the balance of power. Party strategists believe that by emphasising the need for constitutional and electoral reform without providing too much detail is the best way to encourage support from other politicans, particularly in the Labour party.



Constitutional Ashdown: reform is essential

WEATHER

Ministers face pay clash

did. However, the poll, conducted among 1,082 adults on October 5-6, did find concern among the public over higher wage demands eading to unemployment. Fiftyfour per cent of those questioned said they were worried personally by the government's warnings.

Government recommendations to exclude poll tax and mortgage payments from annual cost of living rises were heavily criticised by union leaders, who stressed that those higher repayments were the main reasons for higher de-mands. Marion Chambers, CPSA president, warned: "Our members are clearly looking at what happens in the private sector and that must influence the way we negotiate. So many of our members earn less than £9,000 a year. It would be ridiculous not to expect that the rate of inflation was at

least their target."
Donald Macgregor, national officer for the GMB general union, which represents 1 million town hall manual workers, warned that a growing pay gap would mean a drain of the best talent from the public sector into private firms. He said: "We are not going to be

bound by an edict from on high when we are negotiating. It is vital that the government realises that a five per cent wage gap between public and private sectors willmean that the best staff cannot be recruited or retained in the public

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public sector workers to accept wage increases below the headline rate of inflation is likely to be underlined by private sector increases that are likely to escalate in the next few weeks. Jaguar set the pace for the winter pay round on Friday by offering rises worth 12.5 per ceat, as well as a two-hour cut in the working week, in the first stage of a two-year agreement to

factories in Birmingham and Unions leaders representing

9.000 manual workers at its

start talks today aiming at increases of up to 13 per cent in important set of negotiations of the next few months. If Rover workers win rises well above inflation, other large groups will use their settlement, along with that of Jaguar, as a target heralding not only a "winter of discontent but a miserable spring too.

Civil servants, nurses, midwives and teachers all come to the negotiating table over the next few

Public-sector recruiters abandon national deals

PUBLIC sector employers are increasingly abandoning national to overcome difficulties in recruit- gineers and architects.

orities, public health and higher education employers; have experienced problems in recruiting key staff. The councils said they had no recruitment difficulties with manual staff, but had adopted a

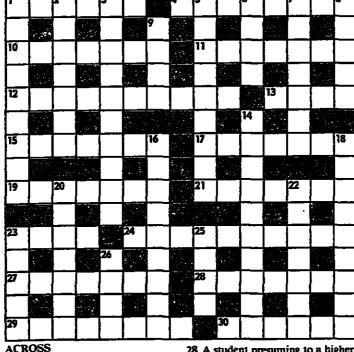
wide range of measures to recruit and keep hard-to-find professional agreements on pay and conditions staff such as accountants, en-

ing and retaining staff, according to a survey published today.

The survey, by Incomes Data authorities, are increasingly using Services, shows that in the past six performance-related pay, market housing assistance schemes to solve the skills problem. Councils in the South, which have introduced far more measures to retain staff felt that the problems were lessening.

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THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,431



- 1 Air formation in line in conflict
- 4 Space traveller needing adjust-ment to radio set (8).
- 10 Revolutionary band causin obstruction in Whitehall (3.4). 11 Drill used in examination of a
- road round the town (7). 12 There's no distinction as yet
- 13 A pack returning to protective enclosure (4).
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- the wrong (7). 2) It may provoke an energetic re-sponse when dropping a church-
- 23 Money for church books (4).
- 24 Thoroughfare in which one may find chestnuts, perhaps (6.4).
- 27 Something of a bore in Texas, for instance? (3.4).

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 18,430 will

appear next Saturday. The 5 winners will receive a Duofold fountain pen supplied by Parker

- 28 A student presuming to a higher degree (7). 29 Dispatches about recurring loss in warships (8).
- 30 Security device of prime importance (6). DOWN
- Company article intended, we hear, to embrace all the over-heads (9). Yield to guile, and without a struggle (7).
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- hotel bedrooms (4). 7 Excel, taking outrageous risks
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- 26 Rent or rate revision (4). Concise Crossword, page 17

WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard ROTHER a. A cow

b. Dewy, roscidc. A dung fork TALUK b. A pyramidal dice c. A self-mutilated beggar LENTISK a. A ski turn b. A double compact disc c. The mustic tree

SOETKOEKIE a. A sweet biscuit b. A madmen c. The South African gamecock Answers on page 20, column 1

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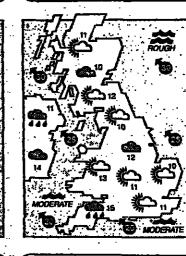
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denies reports of split

By New Bennett BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE chamman of Barcleys Bank has given warning that reports of the bank's plans to split into two threatens to create a false market in its

Sir John Quinton said stories of the split were wrong both in fact and in the inferences drawn". The re-ports arose after details leaked from a repert on the bank from McKinsey, the manage

Sir John however dismissed national banking operations are not moving apart but are in fact moving together." Sir John told Barclays'

shareholders to take no action rejected a suggestion that the rights issue. Barclays is one administration this week of the strongest capitalised as a result of pressure banks in the world and we from holders of £50 milbank would like to hold a have no intention to ask for

further equity capital."

The McKinsey report is one of several surveys Barclays has commissioned to find a more commissioned to man a more efficient structure. The report is believed to list different ways for the bank to simplify its operations. Corporate and retail banking are becoming increasingly different, and a division mould allow each division would allow each section to concentrate without duplication of resources.

Parretti 'close' to

From Pentip Robbison

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GIANCARLO Parretti, the their resolve to put the com- Turkish part of Cyprus they Italian financier, is expected to announce today he has raised one of PPFs bankers. announce today he has raised the \$1 billion needed to complete the purchase of MGM cal paper holders, a mix of United Artists, the Hollywood financial institutions and instudio he has been trying to buy for almost nine months. He has until tomorrow to close the deal. A Pathe spokes-man said yesterday. "We are highly confident we can compiete this on time."

Signor Parretti has already paid a non-returnable deposit of \$353 million. The \$1 bilhon balance is expected to come from sales of European property and farmland to raise \$300 million. A further from pre-sales of MGM films. These have yet to be

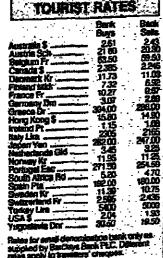
of the remaining \$500 milan unnamed Japanese investor and \$200 million was said to be coming in \$50 million parcels from investors in four European countries.

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Barclays | Storm warning issued for Europe's insurance industry

By WOLFGANG MUNCHAU

EUROPE's insurance industry is in for a rough ride over the next few years, according to the head of Zürich Insurance, Europe's second largest insurance com-

In an interview with The Times, Rolf Huppi, chief general manager of the group, said the eventual single European market m insurance will reduce the profit margins of the whole industry and will lead to the disappearance of smaller insurance.

The European insurance industry has to get used to a situation under which it can onger count on a cosy business environlonger count on a cosy business environ-inent, and it will have to live with smaller likely to prove fatal. Efta is negotiating

margins. Many companies have based with the EC over a European free trade important factors affecting the industry. "I their business on artificial market con- zone, under which many of the EC's single am convinced ... that we will move away ditions, but these will disappear."

Herr Hippi said the reduction in profit margins and the abolition of currently "artificial market conditions" will lead to further concentration in the industry. He indicated that Zürich Insurance will participate actively in the process. "We can count on further mergers and takeovers in the industry. I believe that the reduction of suppliers [insurance companies] will be significant," he said.

The tendency will be felt throughout Europe, and in particular in the Efta countries, including Switzerland, where a number of smaller local companies operate

market directives could apply in Efta. Although the negotiations are in difficulties because of Effa's wish to have a say in EC decision making, it is widely expected that a deal will be agreed well before the end of 1992, when most of the EC's single market directives will be

Herr Hüppi said that Swiss membership of the European Community would accelerate the problems for many smaller Swiss insurance companies, although the larger multinational groups would not be affected since they have been operating in the EC through subsidiaries for a number of years. He argued that the change in market regulation will be one of the most

am convinced ... that we will move away from the regulated [national] market, the insurance regulators, and from insurance cartels over a period of time. I am also convinced that the trend will be towards worldwide insurance regulation which will result in a new competitive situation."

But the speed at which these pressures will affect the industry will differ between the insurance sectors. Already the EC Commission has issued two non-life directives, affecting in particular large risk insurance products which will have to be accepted throughout the EC from 1993 as long as they are approved in the insurance company's home country. The scope is smaller for life insurance products, which can be bought but not marketed in other

EC countries, unless with the permission of the domestic regulatory authorities. The UK insurance industry, in particular, had high hopes that an open European insurance market would allow the better priced British life insurance products to compete on the Continent.

"I think that initially the effect of 1992 will be strongest felt in the non-life business," Herr Huppi said. The next market segment will be non-life personal insurance [ie accident, travel insurance]. In the life-business a Euro-insurance is possible in certain limited areas. But one has to bear in mind that life insurance policy is often tied to a local or national social security insurance. So life insurance will not be affected [by 1992] in the first phase [of deregulation]."

Recession

fears are

strongest

in South ABOUT 75 per cent of British

recession, reports a survey by the venture capital group Wolfgang Münchau writes). Recession fears are most pronounced in the south of England, while "the outlook becomes slightly less gloomy

in proportion to their distance way from the Southeast".

The survey indicates that

as companies will employ, on

average, I per cent less staff by

the end of the year, compared with 1989. Larger companies in the South plan to lay off

proportionally more staff than

their counterparts in the

David Marlow, 3i chief executive, said: "The rel-

atively better performance

outside the south of England is

significant because in pre-

North and in Scotland.

ment consultant. The report is thought to suggest that Barchiya should divide into a high street retailing bank and a global corporate bank. McKinstel's report is the to be recently a should be recently a should corporate bank. McKinstel's report is the to be recently a should be recently a should corporate bank. McKinstel's report is the to be recently a should be recently a should corporate bank. McKinstel's report is the to be recently a should be recently a should corporate bank. McKinstel's report is the top be recently a should be recently a should corporate bank. McKinstel's report is the top be recently a should be recently as a should be recently as a should be recently a should be recently as a should be rece report is due to be presented to a planning conference of the bank's 300 top executives next week. Until then it was intended to be seen by executive directors alone. Six looks because the seen of the conference of the bank's 300 top executive directors alone. the possibility of dividing the bank: "Barclays is not splitting into two banks," he said, "so we are not selling off either of them. Our domestic and inter-

By Neil Bennett, banking correspondent

BANKERS to Polly Peck when it was granted a four-international expect the week standstill on its debts. weekend with Mr Nadir to try fruit trading and electron- One banker said the banks' to discover the extent of group fruit trading and electronics group to be placed in lion of its commercial paper.

The commercial paper holders are due to meet the company in the City today or tomorrow, to discuss what ers at the weekend said they expected they would demand repayment of the debts that officially became due three

Asil Nadir, PPTs chairman, flew to Northern Cyprus from Turkey yesterday, in a des-perate attempt to release funds from the island to save the on November 9. But banks company from collapse. He is now say it is having difficulty expected to leave this morn-obtaining the information it ing. One source close to the wants on the company's activcompany said the funds ities in Cyprus.
should be released within the One source close to the next 48 hours.

There are about 100 commercial paper holders, a mix of dustrial companies that trade with PPL If the group goes into administration, they will rank high in the order of

PPI's banks are unlikely to protect PPI from administrabroken its assurances made who is leading the investiga- entire investment.

steering committee, which comprises ten of PPI's most important creditors, had lost patience with the company.

The company had earlier promised bankers to repay up to £140 million of its debt mountain of almost £1 billion by drawing on cash deposits in Turkey and Northern Cyprus. But so far it has failed to meet action they should take. Bank- a set timetable of repayments. PPI had also promised to ive Coopers & Lybrand

Deloitte, the accountant, full

access to its financial details round the world. Coopers is preparing a re-port on PPI's financial situation and viability for the banks' next scheduled meeting

company blamed Coopers for "The commercial paper the problem, since when its used the name Cork Gully with the Turkish authorities. This was to avoid antagonising the Greeks in southern Cyprus, where Coopers has a successful practice. Cork Gully is the name of Coopers' liquidation and receivership specialist and the northern Cypriot banks were unwilling to co-operate with it.

Richard Stone, Coopers' tion since it is said to have head of corporate finance, most certain to lose their

Polly Peck was unable to comment on any friction with its bankers. "As far as we are concerned we assume the standstill is in place until Nov-

ember 9," a spokesman said. Polly Peck's bankers have braced themselves for the company's collapse, which would cause further heavy bad debt provisions. Standard Chartered has the largest exposure, estimated to be £50 million. Much of its lending is thought to be secured, and the worst case loss for the bank

will be less than £20 million. If Polly Peck does go into administration, it will be one of the largest corporate collapses in British history. Less than three months ago the group was valued at more than £2 billion on the stock market. Since then the company has been hit by speculation that the Serious Fraud Office was

tember 20, the shares collapsed from 245p to 108p and were then suspended. The SFO raided the offices of South Audley Management, a company with connections to Mr Nadir.

Polly Peck, and Mr Nadir himself, have since admitted to liquidity problems, and the shares remain suspended. If the company fails, more than 20,000 shareholders are al-



THE inside of the central dome of the Lakeside Shopping Centre at West Thurrock. Apart from being the newest Essex, is checked by lan White

in preparation for Thursday's opening by Princess Alexandra (Matthew Bond writes). The dome lies at the centre pying more than one million Debenhams, Lewis' and economic challanges faced by

runs the equivalent distance of Oxford Street, from Oxford Circus to Marble Arch.

shopping centre in Britain, Lakeside is one of the biggest of a three-level mall, which sq ft. There is parking for House of Fraser.

vious recessions the North has tended to fare worse. This may reflect radical restructuring of the old industrial heartlands." About 34 per cent of southero companies expect investment to fall, and only 15 per cent say they will invest more during the next quarter. This contrasts sharply with the North and Scotland, where most companies expect no change in total investment.

The survey used a random sample of 1,000 companies in the 3i portfolio, and was conducted shortly before sterexchange-rate mechanism.

Despite the gloom ex-

pressed by respondents, the survey is still more optimistic than those conducted by the Confederation of British In-9,000 cars and 250 coaches. dustry. Mr Marlow gives Lakeside has cost Capital & warning, however, that "com-Counties, the developer, about £350 million to build more optimistic than the av-More than 80 per cent of the erage, but the fact that many retail space is let to tenants of them are now marking time with about 180 retailers occu- such as Marks and Spencer, is a measure of the current

EC wants East European fund

THE European Commission Of the remaining \$500 million, Turner Broadcasting is expected to pay \$200 million for certain film rights, Eastern Europe. Officials fear \$100 million is expected from economic hardship, provoked by the Gulf dispute, could otherwise trigger a collapse of economic and political reform in the region. Brussels will test the idea

with EC foreign ministers in Luxembourg today and again with the 12 government leaders in Rome at the weekend. A positive response will strengthen its chances of convincing the group of 24 would supply the aid. Top level G24 talks will take place in Brussels on October 30. Meanwhile, Jacques Delors,



Delors: met delegation Sitaryan, deputy prime minister, who gave an account of newly approved plans to draw the crumbling Soviet economy closer to the market

M Delors is understood to have parried Soviet calls for the Commission president, emergency financial help by vince its G24 partners that a support for the energy pact received a delegation from the agreeing to deliver an analysis special fund for Eastern among his EC colleagues in Soviet Union led by Stepan of the Soviet economy to EC Europe would stave off col- Luxembourg today.

leaders at their Rome summit. lapse rather than merely But the issue of actual aid - perpetuating inefficiency. But the original motive for calling the summit - is likely to be among EC states that the deferred. Senior officials privately

more burning issue than the rant a large scale bail-out by Soviet Union for the community. Soaring oil prices, lost "The other (EC countries) export markets and unpaid debts have conspired to detect the British view that such prive the East collectively of some £3.5 billion this year. The thrust of the EC's pro- ficial. posed firmd would be to sustain the switch to currency convertibility, and to underpin other fragile economic reforms. If they agree to the move, EC leaders will be anxious to avoid overlapping with prime minister, the plan has the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

there is a growing consensus Soviet Union is too politically volatile, and too poorly served admit that Eastern Europe is a by accurate statistics to warthe Community. "The other (EC countries)

> funding at present would be wasted," said one British of-In partial compensation, the

Soviet Union may be offered a place in a proposed pan-European energy pact,

Originally the brainchild of Rund Lubbers, the Dutch won British backing. Dumas, the French foreign minister, is Brussels still needs to con- expected to canvass further emergency financial help by vince its G24 partners that a support for the energy pact

UK more prone to inflation spurts sury study. Sir Terence noted that labour

costs appeared to have been less im-

portant than profit margins in explaining

recent inflation. Excess demand in 1988

and 1989 had worked its way through to

profits and prices faster than predicted

by the Treasury model. This was a sign of

the increasing flexibility of the corporate

sector, he argued. It might imply that

both inflation and profits would fall

more rapidly than usual in response to

the present weak state of demand.

By ANATOLE KALETSKY ECONOMICS EDITOR

THE British economy seems to have become more susceptible to sports of inflation despite the widespread industrial deregulation and the improvements in the functioning of labour markets introduced over the past decade. This is the main implication of a study published in the Treasury Bulletin today.

The sindy finds that the Treasury's economic model consistently underestimated inflation in the second half of the Eighties. The model also underpredicted imports and overestimated exports throughout the past few years. However, these biases could not be attributed to any special faults in the Treasury's forecasting methods, since similar mistakes were consistently being made in other models run by the private sector.

period," Sir Terence Burns, the govern-

ment's chief economic adviser, told a

The Treasury concluded that the fundamental explanation for the poor performance of all econometric models in recent years was the unprecedented scale of borrowing by private individuals and companies from 1985 onwards. The borrowing and consumption boom led to a deterioriation in the private sector's financial balance unprecedented since "The general impact of the pressure of demand on inflation seemed to have got bigger after 1985 than in the historical

1920 and this, in turn, was responsible for much stronger domestic demand growth than the Treasury had forecast. One probable explanation of the enormous swing from saving to borrowing was financial liberalisation, accordpress conference introducing the Trea- ing to Sir Terence. But such identifiable

factors were not enough to account for the unexpected jump in inflation in 1988

● In a separate article in today's Bulletin, the Treasury studied the impact of a \$10-a-barrel increase in the oil price on the British and international cconomics.

It concluded that the retail price index would suffer a once-and-for-all increase of about 1/3 per cent, while gross domestic product would be roughly 4 per cent lower than otherwise after two

For the world as a whole, inflation might rise by I to 11/2 percentage points in the first year, but the increase would tail off rapidly, leaving no impact after three years. World GDP growth would be retarded by about 1/2 percentage point annually for three years.

 UK balance of payments figures for September, due out today, are expected to show little change in the current account deficit of £1.3 billion reported for August. A slight deterioration, due to a smaller contribution from "erratic" exports, is considered possible.

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Economists predict sharp fall in growth of German GNP

By WOLFGANG MUNCHAU **EUROPEAN BUSINESS**

GERMANY'S five leading economic institutes are predicting a sharp fall in gross national product growth to 2.5 per cent this year, and a further decline to 2 per cent in 1991, because of the recession in eastern Germany.

The autumn edition of the so-called "five wise men" report also gives warning of markedly higher inflation as a result of rising oil prices and increased wage demands.

If the findings prove right, this would end hopes that Germany could again play the motive, able to pull other European economies out of recession, as it did at the end of the Seventies.

The report, which is officially published today, has already come under attack from Helmut Haussmann, the German economics minister. who was commenting on press leaks of the findings.

Herr Haussmann said the report was, as usual, too pessimistic, since the in-



Hanssmann: institutes "too pessimistic"

German economy. In their last report, published in the spring, the institutes predicted GNP would rise by 3.75 per cent this year, which stands against government estimates of about 4 per cent, the same

The government expects output to rise by 3 per cent next year.

Current indications are that inflationary expectations are beginning to fuel wage demands in Germany.

Volkswagen, the country's of unification have so far mated the strength of the largest car manufacturer and a fallen on deaf ears.

wage trend-setter in Germany's large metal industry, is faced with demands from IG Metall, the metal workers union, for wage rises of more

than 8 per cent, which is

around 5 per cent ahead of

pledged to achieve comparable wage levels in the eastern part of the country, despite markedly lower productivity there.

On interest rates, expectations of increases would be fuelled if war broke out in the Gulf. Fighting in the region would probably lead to a sustained higher level of oil

The government's rejection of the five wise men's report is consistent with its message that the costs of unification can by financed with only the minimum of sacrifices by the German taxpayer. The government, which is

likely to be returned to power

after the elections on December 2, has been able to play down criticisms by the opposition Social Democrats, whose warnings over the costs

Business guaranteed a room



ROCCO Forte, chief executive of necessary, non-business travellers will be Trusthouse Forte, and Alan Hearn, managing director of Trusthouse Forte hotels, today take the lid off Business Guarantee, a new scheme launched for travellers (Jon Ashworth

least 48 hours in advance are guaranteed a room at more than 250 hotels in the UK, even if they are fully booked. If

moved to nearby hotels to make space. A free ten-page national fax or telex is thrown in, along with a complimentary daily newspaper and free parking at provincial hotels.

An express check-out service is included to help travellers on their way, and bookings may be cancelled up to 6pm on the day of arrival at no extra cost "This is a unique guarantee for the business traveller which we can give because of our strength throughout the UK," said Mr Hearn. The scheme will be extended to other countries before the end of the year, taking in the Hotel George V in Paris and the Westbury in New York, among others.

In Britain, Trusthouse Forte owns the Post House network, and purchased the Crest hotel chain from Bass for £300 million this year.

Norpak sold off in Corton break-up

By NEIL BENNETT

THE break-up of Corton Beach, the collapsed meattrading, motor and leisure group, has begun just ten days after it was put into

Price Waterhouse, the administrative receiver, has sold Norpak, Corton's frozen-food wholesaler, to Sims Foods for an undisclosed sum. Norpak's customers, mainly co-op-erative associations, had threatened to remove their business unless the company

was sold quickly.

Tony Brereton, a Price Waterhouse partner, said: This sale effectively keeps the fridges running." Sims beat other companies to buying Norpak after sending its own executives to check the company's books. The food group is thought to have paid a nominal figure due to the

urgency of the disposal.

Norpak was the largest of
Corton's food companies. with sales of £50 million forecast in the year to end-January, although it had a low asset base. Mr Brereton hopes to find a buyer shortly for Tranfood, another offshoot, while several companies were interested in Freezrite, a chain of freezer centres.

Corton went into receivership on October 11, after it failed to agree a refinancing package with its bankers.



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Foseco fights bid with break-up plan

against the £236 million hos-tile takeover bid from Burmah Castrol, the oil and chemicals

The unbundling plan has been in preparation for the past six months, say sources close to the company, but is being completed as a matter of urgency in an attempt to derail the Burmah offer, which was launched last week.

Long, the new chairman of Foseco, who was due to take over the top job from the beginning of next month but has now taken day-to-day control of Foseco's defence. Mr Long was a main board director at BAT, the conglornerate that resorted to an unbundling exercise when it

was fighting the bid from is known to de keen to sell off the abrasives busi-

ness, and Foseco is pinning its

FOSECO is in the final stages hopes on convincing share-of preparing a far-reaching holders they would do better "unbundling" proposal for its by sticking with Foseco, to shareholders as a defence gain the benefits of a sale, than by selling out to Burmah.

Internal documents have put the potential value of the abrasives division at more than £130 million, equivalent to more than half the value of the Burmah bid.

The defence document will be likely to argue that such increases in value should be retained for the benefit of Foseco shareholders, rather than handed over to Burmah.

The idea came from Tom Bankers have advised Foseco that the best defence will have to revolve around the long-term potential, as the short-term trading picture is not encouraging.

Foseco's poor short-term prospects are thought to have played a crucial part in the relative case with which Cazenove, acting for Burmah, acquired a stake of 10.6 per cent in a dawn raid on the day the bid was launched.

Doubt over scope of Caparo rule

By GRAHAM SEARJEANT.

FINANCIAL EDITOR A DECISION in the Court of Appeal has called into question the scope of the Caparo judgment, which appeared to rule that auditors and other advisers to a company subject to a takeover had no responsibility to the acquiring company.

Morgan Crucible, which is attempting to sue advisers to First Castle Electronics, a company it bought in 1986, has been given leave to bring an amended action despite the ruling in the Caparo case. Morgan's case, which

expected to come to the High Court in January, will now relate to representations made by or approved by the advisers in the course of the takeover bid. The representations complained of by Caparo were made before the takeover.

The Morgan case will even tually decide how far the restriction on liability in the Caparo ruling applies.

ICI stays silent on **Tioxide**

By OUR CITY STAFF

IMPERIAL Chemical Industries (ICI) refused to confirm or deny weekend press reports saying it would buy out the remaining 50 per cent of Tioxide, a maker of paint pigments, for about £150 million. The stake is owned by Cookson Group, the specialist chemical firm trying to reduce its high gearing.

Shares in Cookson, one of the best UK stocks during the 1980s, have fallen by more than 75 per cent this year due to concerns over the company's financial health. They closed at 70p on Friday. Cookson has been acquisitive in recent years, and is suffer-ing high debt-servicing costs.

ICI recently announced a plan to cut investment next year by £100 million. The reported purchase price for the Tioxide stake is perceived to be low.

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Oversupply of oil tankers forecast

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

the tonnage under construction has reached its highest level since the late 1970s.

An oversupply of ships will probably develop during 1991 and stretch into 1992, says Clarkson Research Studies (CRS) in its half-yearly review of worldwide shipping trends. Shipowners have been en-

couraged to order new tankers by a recovery in demand. The world tanker fleet is becoming very long in the tooth. According to CRS, 47 per

cent of tankers are regarded as being "over-age," at more than 15 years old. Thanks to high Opec output

during the first half of the year, almost every∷available ship was in service for the first time since the early 1970s; says CRS. A brief huatus in the wake of Iraq's invasion of spur to owners.

THE Gulf confrontation Kuwait has been replaced by threatens to slow growth in hardening charter rates as oil demand for oil tankers just as production from Sandi Arabia has risen, compensating for lost Iraqi and Kuwaiti output. But the period charter market has gone slack after a sharp

improvement in rates earlier in the year. The slowdown contrasts with a rapid increase in the number of tankers on order

over the past three years. During the first half of 1988 only 33 vessels, totalling 2.7 million dead weight tonnes (dwt), were on order. In the six months to June, there were 112 tankers on order, totalling

18.1 million dwt. CRS says the threat of American legislation to require all tankers serving US ports to be of a double-skin construction, intended to cut spillage in the event of collision or grounding, acted as a

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s the chancellor stood up to make his annual speech at make his annual special the Mansion House last Thursday, the pound fell below DM2.95, the government lost the Eastbourne by-election and the other 11 members of the European Community agreed on a date for monetary union - with

Britain or without it. These four events were not school of monetarists. These unconnected. After the dangerous decision to enter the exchange-rate mechanism at a deliberately overvalued rate, confidence in the government's economic policies was at a low ebb by Thursday, not only in the City and in Europe but also among the British public. Yet the main message of John Major's Mansion House speech was that the government's economic philosophy remained irrevocably fixed: the over-riding objective was to eradicate inflation; this would be achieved by making a cast-iron commitment to a preannounced financial target, in

this case a strong pound.
Unfortunately for Mr Major,
the number of true believers in this approach seems to be dwindling daily. Yet confidence has boon for economic policy: "If

PAUL Collins, chief executive

of Brierley Investments Ltd. Sir Ron Brierley's New Zea-

land holding company, is on the record as describing BIL's

£644 million hostile bid for

Mount Charlotte Investments

as opportunist and extremely

Crocodiles have rarely wept

more effective tears. For there

is a very real risk that BIL.

could be about to snap up a

bargain in the tempting shape

of Britain's second largest

unlikely to succeed.

Fine-tuning with a crowbar

ECONOMIC VIEW

ANATOLE KALETSKY

people think she's mad, they'll finally believe that she will stop at nothing to hit the monetary

But it was not to be. The Resolute Approach was fine for winning wars against Argentina and beating Arthur Scargill, But as a way of managing a modern economy it simply did not work. It was not just in Britain but, even more importantly, in America that single-target monetarism was gradually abandoned in favour of a

pragmatic type of interest and exchange rate management. This had more similarities to traditional Keynesian demand management than to the inflexibility of rational expectations.

Given the past experience of the British chancellor, but by

pragmatic changes in the government's economic policies, to say nothing of the imminence of a general election, it is by no means rational for people to believe that sterling will never be devalued simply because the government has joined the ERM. As for the chancellor's attempts to assure the markets that he will not cut

interest rates until it is "safe" to

do so, this only feeds the

misgivings.

There is a fundamental contradiction between the old monetarist promise to put economic policy-making on antiinflationary autopilot and the constant references to refined personal judgments on the state of the economy made not only by

every other leading policymaker around the world these days. The fact is that seat-of-the-pants fine-tuning has returned with a vengeance not only in Britain and America, but also in Germany and Japan.

There is, however, a crucial element missing from the new type of economic fine-tuning, especially as it is practised in the Anglo-Saxon countries. While the intellectual content of monetansm has been effectively abandoned, the political commitment to using monetary policies alone has remained. The tax and credit policies that were a vital part of the economic toolbox in the Keynesian period of demand management have been deliberately thrown away. As a result, the policymakers in Britain and America have had only two policy instruments interest rates and exchange rates - to try to influence a multiplicity of objectives, including inflation, unemployment and

the balance of payments. On closer inspection, even these two instruments proved to be tied together in an awkward fashion, since interest and exchange rates have an extremely close interaction in a world without exchange controls.

As long as monetarist thinking was in the ascendant, this did not seem a problem. For the core of the monetarist belief was that controlling inflation should be the government's sole macroeconomic concern. One instrument, whether monetary targets, interest rates or exchange rates, should be sufficient to hit this target. But few are willing to accept this abdication of responsibility any longer, either in the electorate or the financial markets. Whether he likes it or not, the chancellor is once again expected to fine-tune the British economic engine to achieve satisfactory performance on in-flation, employment and the balance of payments, all at the same time. To do this, he will need the whole toolbox of fiscal, monetary and credit policies. The crowbar of a fixed exchange rate will not be enough.

TEMPUS

been the alpha and omega of Mrs

Thatcher's economic philosophy

ever since the Seventies, when Sir

Keith Joseph introduced her to

people argued that inflation

could be rapidly and relatively

painlessly reduced by any

government that could convince

economic decision-makers of its

implacable determination to

stick to monetary targets. Once

workers, managers and investors

realised the government would

not bail them out by printing

money, they would give up their

inflationary habits. The newly

virtuous behaviour would be

rapidly rewarded with stable

In the dark days of 1981, the faith in rational expectations

took on the comical intensity of

desperation. I well remember one

of the Treasury's advisers arguing privately that Mrs Thatcher's fanatical media image would be a

prices and steady growth.

"rational expectations"

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Crocodile tears as BIL bares its teeth



On the record: Paul Collins, chief executive of BIL

concentrates on the bid's 40 information about the impact per cent discount to restated future disposals might have. net assets of 122p a share. But here, too, there is no room for FITST Leisure complacency. Only a few months ago, Laing Properties sive earnings per share record succumbed to an offer priched at a previously unthinkable discount to net asset value of more than 20 per cent.

Therefore, he refuses to be At 67p, shareholders should

SIR Owen Green, veteran of many a well-timed takeover at BTR, was heard the other day giving the view that there will be bargains aplenty next spring. His theme was that share prices would by then be For now, his defence rightly sit tight and await more reflecting a series of gloomy

reports on 1990 trading and the financial pressures arising from the government's anuinflationary drive would be at their most severe.

One company's poison is another's meat. Those who have financed operations prudently through the downturn can expect an abundance of reasonably priced opportu-

naties to buy.

This will be especially true in the leisure sector, characterised by an orgy of debtfinanced expansion over the past few years. Some have already paid dearly and have gone to corporate limbo. Others, like Mecca, have been forced into the arms of rivals.

If cash is to be king. First Leisure will be one of the gamers. After last July's rights issue its balance sheet is free from strain. Gearing is around 25 per cent and interest cover running at more than six

The leisure business is not known for tight financial controi, an aspect of management where First Leisure scores. Borrowings have been capped at 13.2 per cent until next October and the group has been using its financial muscle to secure some favourable long-term supply contracts especially for drinks, a significant area of costs. First Leisure's good house

keeping has also been impressive with heavy spending on upgrading assets with swift benefits to revenues.

While 1991 should see fewer t will not be a vintage year. The rise in petrol prices may change spending patterns and mortgage payments will remain at historically high

But First Leisure's profits should continue their progress with about £29 million expected this year against £25 million in 1989, and £35 million is on the cards for 1991. The shares appear to have bottomed at around 162p earlier this month and are now building up solid support. At 178p they sell for a premium p/e ratio of 11.7 times. Worth it for the quality stock in the sector.

EC NOTEBOOK

Drug agency seen as a cure for ills caused by different national rules

THE EUROPEAN Commis- made mandatory by a perma- European companies are besion has plans for a drug nent secretariat controlled by agency that will issue community-wide licences for new medicines. The idea is to end what Brussels calls the "mosaic" of national rules that can mean a drug is cleared in one country but blocked in another. All new veterinary drugs, or those devised biotechnologically, would need clearance from the agency before being marketed in the community. National bodies could still issue acences for

other drugs, while gradually drawing their authorisation procedures closer together. Brussels complains that after ten years of co-operation between the 12, drug licensing is still beset with confusion and overlap, penalising the European pharmaceutical industry and hampering exports. In most member countries it is "paralysed by crincism from consumer organisations and by the sheer

The agency, which still needs the approval of EC governments, should start up in 1993 with a review six years goods to fewer clients. later. It will comprise existing groups of scientific and medi-

number and complexity of

cases to examine", the com-

mission says,

the Brussels commission. It will keep an eye on national bodies, while leaving many decisions in their hands.

■ EUROPEAN steelmakers fear that President Bush could provoke a new trade war with the community by pushing too hastily for a free world market in steel. His plans to replace fixed bilateral quotas

produced for the commission by Booz, Allen & Hamilton, and are far too slow in the management consultant. The Japanese market is

ing taught how to tap the

Japanese market in a guide

opening up to foreign investors, who in most cases need only obtain clearance from central, not regional government officials. The Japanese consumer is less xenophobic with broader ones agreed by than often perceived, but he

Drug licensing is beset with confusion and overlap that penalises the European pharmaceutical industry'

SETVICE.

"multilateral consensus" and demands high quality, careful eventually to phase out the lot, marketing and good after-sales eventually to phase out the lot, could prempt a flood of law suits from wary American producers accusing the Europeans of dumping steel on the American market.

An American team received guarded response after flying to Brussels last week to sell the idea to the commission. EC steelmakers feel President Bush's move could exacerbate the current downturn in the global steel market, where more steel mills are selling

• JAPANESE investment in Europe last year was 16 times cal experts from the member greater than the other way. In motor makers spend too much states, whose decision will be an attempt to bridge this gap, energy retaining their domes-

Foreign exporters should cultivate their Japanese distributors over long periods, without expecting short-term gains. The report concludes that foreigners should avoid soaring land and labour costs in Tokyo by setting up their operations further afield.

• MARTIN Bangemann, Germany's senior commissioner to Brussels, has criticised the European motor industry, saying it is partly to blame for Japan's penetration of the European market. EC

tic markets rather than fighting to win new ones abroad. They can take twice as long as the Japanese to make a car. designing new models.

In Munich last week, Herr Bangemann was trying to harden Europe's car industry to the abolition of national quotas that currently protect it from Japanese imports.

• EC COUNTRIES are at odds over how to control the movement of firearms once trade barriers have disappeared. Under proposed rules, gun-owners would have to report to the police before taking weapons abroad. The information would be shared between all 12 police forces, but it is feared that Interpol's records, or those of other forces, could rapidly become saturated, putting more sen-SILIVE files at risk.

There are also fears that tough rules would straitjacket the arms trade. All arms makers would have to keep records of when they sold firearms and to whom. Britain, France, Germany, Belgium, Italy and Spain would need reassuring that fresh EC rules would dovetail with a broader convention on firearms, to which they are all signatories.

PETER GUILFORD

CAPITAL MARKETS

Tapping into ecu potential

A SHORT sentence tucked in-John Major's Mansion House catch up. speech signalled what may

priate time, which would dem- market, the Matif. onstrate further our attachment to the ecu and would ant position in this rapidly growing market". A cautious and non-committal phrasing maybe, but one that clearly acceptance of the ecu has have been higher than those

Apart from the wider political considerations, the development of an ecu gilt market would mark London's claim as the natural centre of the three issues to date carrying a

PROFESSOR Mervyn King, a

leading expert on taxation

policy and corporate finance

fastest-growing bond market total value of Ecu3.5 billion. to the latter paragraphs of in Europe. It has some way to

The French government has prove an historic develop- already issued five, seven and ment in world capital markets. ten-year ecu-denominated Mr Major said he was bonds (OATs) and ecu OAT "giving consideration to an futures last week began tradecu bond issue, at the appro- ing on the French futures Indeed the French have

displayed an enthusiasm for strengthen London's import- the ecu that is unlikely ever to be matched by the Treasury, let alone by Downing Street. This has been demonstrated by the fact that the yields on shows how far the Treasury's the ecu bonds issued so far the French treasury could achieve by issuing in French

> The Italians also have a bead start on Britain, with

LSE tax expert

And there has been a single Spanish issue for Ecu500 milactivity this year, the ecu bond market has been transformed from the familiar, steadily growing but really rather duli market of the Eighties.

As one enthusiastic analyst said: "The old ecu corporate before 1994. bond market will continue to potter along. The ecu bond market of the future began this

Before this year the ecu bond market had been dogged by illiquidity as small corporate issues were snapped up by the legendary Belgian dentists" and scarcely seen or heard of again. With minimal secondary trading, the issues were of little interest to the leading international, institu-

One legacy of this history is the fact that the ecu market. lion. With such a high level of though growing fast to its present level of almost Ecu90 million, is still overwhelmingly dominated by shortterm issues. In fact, two thirds of the international issues outstanding are due to mature

> A real commitment to developing a longer-term market is therefore essential to maintaining the momentum of this year's developments.

A chunky 15-year ecu gilt would be a step in the right direction and may encourage some of the better-known British corporate names to

JONATHAN PRYNN

Terminal condition

there has been no rush to

complete the £200 million

disposal programme be launched in the wake of last year's

purchase of the Thistle chain, earnings per share have be-come Mount Charlotte's

Achilles' heel. But Mr Peel

knows that once the disposals

have been completed, Mount

Charlotte's previously impres-

(growing at an annual com-

pound rate of 28.4 per cent

until this year) will resume.

GILES Vardey, popular and able managing director and head of equities at Swiss Bank Corp. and a man who likes to spend most of his spare time shopping for colourful braces, has banned his underlings from playing computer games on their terminals to while away the hours during the continuing full in trading. In a memorandum entitled "Difficult markets and computer games", Vardey, aged 34, an Oxford rowing blue, stresses the need for all employees to be "creative and persistent in terms of ideas and generating transactions" given that revenues "are extremely hard to obtain". He goes on to say that, given the high costs involved in running a securi-ties business, "I do not believe that computer games have any role to play during the working day." Vardey, who previously worked for County NatWest and Salomon Brothers, and is clearly destined for greater things, concludes that all computer games are there-fore banned. "Any person seen using a computer game will be given the opportunity to play these games all day long - but not at SBC," warns the ever-witty Vardey.

Budget forecist

THE odds-on favourite day for next year's Budget is March 19. The reason for this prediction is that Paterson Zochonis, the Cussons and imperial Leather soap group.

has chosen that day to produce its interim report - and for five out of the past six years PZ's interim report has come out on Budget day. "It really is just a coincidence," insists Alan Whittaker, PZ's finance director, who has seenoff more Chancellors of the Exchequer than most.

THE TIMES

Logica explanation CTTY analysts used to sifting through mounds of research material bave been chuckling over the latest report and accounts from Logica, the independent software house. For the company, which saw pre-tax profits halve last year, has picked chaos theory as the topic of its 1990 annual report. "li's the first time we've had chaos as a theme," says a spokeswoman, who adds that comments on the glossy brochure, filled with colourful



seeking clues to the change in Logica's fortunes are forced to decipher captions such as: "A solution to the Zakharov equations describes the electric field intensity in the ionosphere due to electromagnetic driving by the Arecibo antenna." A novel approach, it continues, has been developed using fractal algorithms to achieve compression ratios of over 10,000 to 1. "Logica usually have the most interesting reports," says

company appear more hope-ful in the months ahead. Each to their own . . . SIGN in the window of a shop in Tunbridge Wells: "Contact lens found. See proprietor (if

one electronics analyst, who

Polished act

THE sudden sacking by Hoenig Securities of two of its staff has had a curious effect on Nick Clough, hitherto a dealer at the soft commission house. For Clough, who was fired two weeks ago, has completely shaved his head much to the horror of friends who feel that he is taking the affair too far. Thankfully, the reason for the move is nothing more sinister than a local production of The King and I, in which Clough has the starring role. "You could say it is a penance for not working in the City," says Clough, aged 46, who was once part of the traded options team at Smith New Court before joining

swirting pictures, have all Hoenig in 1989. "I have one or been favourable. Analysis two interviews lined up, and have had to warn them about my appearance." Dealing aside, Clough also manages the stock exchange cricket club, which has just returned from a successful tour of Portugal. "We beat the opposition by a considerable margin on the field and in the bar," he adds.

Pole position SOLICITORS are usually

adds that prospects for the cerned. But few could be cannier than Brian Clark, senior corporate partner at Nabarro Nathanson, who is leading efforts to boost business in Poland and the Soviet Union. Clark was spotted in full cry at the Royal Albert Hall recently during the Thousand Voices festival of male choirs, of which he is a vicepresident. And he was joined by Sergi Vladimirsky, a popular Moscow musician who owns and plays 300 musical instruments. "He hopes this will qualify him for the Guinness Book of Records," says Clark, aged 54, who has his eye on some potentially lucrative projects in the Soviet Union, The firm, which sponsored the pre-concert reception, has wasted little time forging new links. It is helping the Polish government create a new legal framework to allow land previously owned by the state to pass into private hands.

quick to spot an opportunity from the London School of to do business, especially Economics, has been appointed chief economist and where Eastern Europe is conexecutive director of the Bank of England. He replaces John Flemming, who announced last month that he would be taking a senior post at the new European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. Although Mr King has specialised in microeconomic issues rather than monetary

and exchange-rate policy, his macroeconomic background is closer to the Keynesian than the monetarist tradition. In 1981 he was a signatory of the letter from 364 leading British economists attacking the government for its recessionary policies. Friends say, however, that he later regretted signing the protest, and in the past few years he has been a frequent adviser to the Treasury on tax matters. He is said to have been the main author of the personal savings incentives in-

troduced in the last Budget. In terms of political outlook, Mr King is said to be a CAROL LEONARD | centrist, who behaves that



government has an important role in social and industrial policy, but should generally try to do this by improving

market mechanisms.

Mr King was educated at King's College, Cambridge, and Harvard. He was at one time a member of the Cambridge Department of Applied Economics beaded by Wynne Godley, one of Margaret Thatcher's most vocaterous academic critics. He later went to Harvard and the Massachusens Institute of Technology before becoming a professor at

ANATOLE KALETSKY

MORTGAGE RATE

With effect from 1 November 1990 House Mortgage Rate will be decreased from 15.7% to 14.7% per annum.



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Sailplane lands in record book

directly into Britain was handed over to its new owner at RAF Halton, Buckinghamshire on Saturday, marking the beginning of Russian aerospace exports to the European Community. The Lithuanian-built LAK-12 high-performance sailplane is the first of up to 60 a year which a new firm at Market Harborough, Leicestershire hopes to sell throughout Europe in a strong challenge to Germany's total domination of the world market for competition gliders.

Complete with instruments, rigging aids and a glass-fibre road trailer, the LAK-12, which has a wing span of 67 feet, cost Michael Wilshere, an engineer, only £22,700 freight and VAT paid.

Lithuania's 25-year-old Sportine Aviacija, the largest producer of sailplanes and sporting aircraft in the USSR, is one of the 20,000 Soviet enterprises recently freed to negotiate their own foreign

It believes it can match the German's technical and pro-duction capabilities at little more than half the cost and is following up its challenge in competition gliders with powered light aircraft too.

Over 160 LAK-12s like that delivered to Mr Wilshere at the weekend have been built in recent years for use throughout the Soviet Union and Eastern bloc. A highly competitive derivative of even greater wingspan, 84 feet, is in flight test for delivery



Flying first: Frank Pozerskis' son Tony, a Baltic Sailplanes director, with Michael Wilshere and his LAK-12

next spring. Lithuanian-born Frank

Pozerskis, for more than 30 years one of Britain's leading competition soaring pilots, is spearheading the Lithuanians' export efforts with his new company, Baltic Sailplanes. At 63, Mr Pozerskis recently

competed in his 30th national championship.Since arriving as a penniless refugee in 1947

to-door he has built a thriving timber import and sawmilling business at Kettering, Northamptonshire.

Sportine Aviacija invited him over last year for his first visit to his homeland since he left 46 years ago and asked him to become its European

His command of the lan-

they have no knowledge of Western-style marketing vhatesoever," he says.

"I stressed three requirements - on-time delivery, faultless spares backing and an impeccable standard of

when he sold firewood door- guage, his competition experi- detailed finish and they have ence and business record taken these on board. I have commended him. "They have contracted to take all the the competence and facilities sailplanes they can build - 60 to match the Germans but a year at present but easily they have no knowledge of increased. When the new models hit the market they will be as good as anything the German makers can supply but at a much lower cost."

ROBERT RODWELL

GILT-EDGED

ERM honeymoon still has some romance left

larly contentious issues in the gilt-edged outlook for base rates and the timing of new issues by the Bank of England. Both point to a marked change in

the shape of the yield curve. Much of the analysis of sterling membership of the European exchange-rate mechanism has referred to a honeymoon period of a firm pound and falling interest rates. At the end of last week, sterting was the weakest currency in the ERM. The honeymoon appeared to be over and the sober business of living with the ERM regime had started.
The original idea of

honevmoon ohase was that initially ERM entry would not be a constraint on policy. The pound was expected to stay well clear of the bottom end of the range for a while and so the factors determining base rates would be domestic rather than to do with sterling.

Indeed, despite the coincidence of timing, the motivation behind the last base rate cut was the state of the economy rather than the ERM. The money supply, the slowdown in domestic demand and the prospective fall in inflation were cited by the Treasury as the reasons for easing monetary policy.

From this perspective, there is little doubt that the trend in base rates should continue to be firmly downwards. The narrow money supply (M0) has dropped within target and the latest weekly figures for notes in circulation point to a further deceleration. At a time of high inflation, this points to a sharp fall in real money

balances. Should we pay any attention to narrow money? In a sophisticated financial economy, who cares about MO? The Treasury, apparently. It is a good indicator of consumer demand and the most up-to-date guide available for gauging the pace of the domestic economy. It has slowed and should continue to do so.

There is now little doubt that the economy is weak. Real GDP probably fell in the third quarter and the overall picture is flat for the second half of this year and the first half of next. The best in store is a modest pick-up in the second half of next

Partly because of this, inflation will fall, especially as measured by the headline rate. The first big drop in the annual rate will be in the November index, to about 9½ per cent, against the near-11 per cent rate now. Next year, inflation will

continue to decline, with 51/2 per cent on the cards at midyear. The underlying rate will come down more slowly, but inflation performance will clearly be improving.

Domestically, the argu-ment for lower base rates will be straightforward. But will sterling allow rates to fall? ERM rules are clear and sterling drifting to the lower end of the permitted range could stop rate cuts, whatever the state of the economy might demand. The conflict between the

domestic and external requirements should not be that acute. Monetary policy is extremely tight and this is being felt by businesses and

To argue that base rates need to stay at 14 per cent for a long period is unrealistic. The foreign exchange markets realise this and sterling's lackiustre performance in the ERM so far reflects the view that the longer-term direction in base rates is clearly down. The value of sterling in large part discounts this trend.

Currency forecasting is hazardous business and ofaccurate as an economist's most diligent efforts. Most forecasters now talk in terms of exchange rate assumptions rather than forecasts. But to declare the honeymoon formally over is premature. Lower base rates justified by the economic fundamentals should not hit the currency too hard; we still expect base rates to be at 12 per cent by mid-1991.

The slowdown that led to the cut in base rates is affecting government finances as well. The history of recent years is that the level of activity has a more powerful influence on the government's fiscal position than is realised at the time.

of a £7 billion fiscal La surplus this year has been left high and dry by the chancellor said in the Mansion House speech that the medium-term objective was for a balanced budget. That could be the result this financial year, with a small borrowing requirement next

The implication is that there will be a return to gilt issuance early next year. While this funding might initially be in the shorts, it will spread along the yield curve as the funding programme gathers pace.

The key question is how institutions will be in rebuilding their depleted gift portfolios. While the borrowing requirement will be tiny by historical and international standards, it will be a drag on the medium area of the market.

It all points to the inversion of the yield curve at the short end of the gilt market lessening or disappearing altogether. Sterling permitting, of course.

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water sales soar in Britain

By OUR INDUSTRIAL STAFF SALES in Britain of mineral water have tripled in the last five years, according to a report today on the rise in consumption of bottled water in the United Kingdom.

The survey by Earomonitor, the market analyst group, suggests that recent factors behind the growth have been increasing consumer concern over the quality of tap water, and the unusually warm summers.

The report forecasts that the total market for mineral water in the United Kingdom will amount to £297 million this year, up from about £200 million in 1989.Even so. people in Britain still drink much less mineral water per head than most European countries. UK per capita consumption is only 5.5 litres each year. This compares with 79.9 litres per person each year in Italy, 76.3 in Germany, 68.4 in France and 30.1 in Amer-

Most mineral water drunk in Britain is sparkling. Only 29 per cent of all consumption is still, compared to France, for instance, where still water accounts for four fifths of all mineral water consumed.

Mineral | Power Corp in second store deal with Gucci

By WOLFGANG MUNCHAU

POWER Corporation, the commercial property developer, has made its second deal with Gucci, the Italian leather retailer, through the purchase of a property in Belgravia, London, that will serve as Gucci's flagship store in the

The property, which com-prises five retail shops at 17-22 Sloane Street, has been bought from City Site Estates, the million. Two of the five shops will be combined to form the new Gucci store.

Power Corporation already partly owns a Gucci store property in Palm Beach, Florida. This was bought recently in a joint venture with a

Nick Orme, a director at Power Corporation, said the company was taking advantage of weak conditions in the property market.

The purchase in Belgravia is the first in the UK since the arrangement of a £100 million interest-only bank syndicate facility. This type of facility, sometimes refered to as "evergreen", carries only an interest charge until the company decides to repay the original юап.

Operating profits rise at CWS By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

THE Co-operative Wholesale Society, part of the Co-op group, made operating profits of £14.9 million for the six months to end-June, an increase of 6 per cent. Sales rose

9.5 per cent to £1.3 billion. Leonard Fyfe, chairman of CWS, said belts were being tightened after a period when consumer spending had held up well. In these circumstances CWS performance had been satisfactory and its retail operations continued to

Sir Dennis Landau, the error - thief executive, said the rander to the CNS of the North Eastern Co-operative Society was the most significant event of the first half, although the North Eastern figures had not been included

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Chemicals profit slump expected to hit ICI

EARNINGS at Imperial pects third-quarter pre-tax elopment company has more Chemical Industries are likely profits of £180 million, against than half its portfolio outside to show a significant down-£306 million last time. Market the UK. This gives it considtum, largely because of forecasts range from £150 erable exposure to exchange sharply lower chemicals prof- million to £180 million. its, when the international chemicals group reports third-

Quarter figures on Thursday. Sir Denys Henderson, chairman of the group which is still seen as the barometer of British industry, recently gave warning that 1990 earnings would be lower than last group headed by Tony Gill.

The early tremors of the oil price shock will have been felt by the bulk chemicals businesses, but the full impact of the increased cost of oil and naphtha will be delayed until between 15 and 20 per cent of the fourth quarter. This will be offset by some improvement in selling prices.

have not been favourable to sales. the group, but the pharmaceuticals division has been growing strongly. ICI will also see a significant extraordinary disposal gain from Enterprise

Richard Henderson at No-

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Continued weakness in the UK automotive sector will affect profits at Lucas Industries, the automotive components and aerospace

The group will struggle to improve profits, although a strong performance from acrospace operations should offset a poorer showing from the automotive side.

Lucas is thought to earn group profits from the UK motor sector, and analysis expect to see a 20 per cent Exchange rate movements decline in its UK automotive

UBS Phillips & Drew has pencified in final pre-tax profits of £190 million, compared with £187_1 million last time. Market forecasts range from £187 million to £196 million. Hammerson Properties, the

rate movements which could take a toll on the group's net

However, the company will see strong growth in rental income and will benefit from £5 million property trading profits from the final payment for River Plate House.

Interim pre-tax profits are expected to slip from £38.2 million to £33 million, according to Barclays de Zoete Wedd. That is at the lower end of forecasts, which range from £33 million to £38 million, INJUSTANTIA DE STATE DE LA CONTROL DE LA CONTROL DE LA COMPANIO DEL COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DEL COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DEL COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DEL COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DEL COMPANIO DE LA COMPANIO DEL COMPAN

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TOMORROW

Final pre-tax profits at Mc-Kechnie, the plastic and metal mura Research Institute ex- property investment and dev- components group, are ex-



Hurn: series of strikes

pected to fall from £39.1 million to between £29 million and £29.5 million, largely because of the group's high exposure to the UK economy.

Robert Donald at County NatWest WoodMac expects Welseley, the distributor of building materials and plumbing and heating equipment, to turn in final pre-tax profits of £113.5 million, against £120.2 million last time, Market expectations range from £113

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million to £120 million. FR Group, which makes specialised equipment for the aircraft, electronics and energy industries, is largely defence orientated and has been hit by delays in spending on both sides of the Atlantic. BZW forecasts interim pre-tax profits of £11.5 million, compared £11.9 million last time.

Interima: Boxmore International,



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WEDNESDAY Smiths Industries, the aero-

space, medical systems and industrial products group where Roger Hurn is chief executive and managing director, is expected to report Densitron International, FR Group.

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and Smiths itself. Pre-tax profits are expected to climb from £111.7 million to £115 million, according to UBS Phillips & Drew. Market forecasts range from £111 million to £118 million.

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THURSDAY

UDO Holdings, the reprographics and office supplies company, is expected to turn in final pre-tax profits of £9.3 million, against £7.9 million last time, according to Hoare

Govett. Despite a gloomy high street retail scene, analysts expect interim pre-tax profits at Brown (N) Group, the mail

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FRIDAY

Profits at Delyn Packaging, the Weish supplier of plastic packaging, will be adversely affected by significantly increased interest charges. How-ever, BZW expects half-year pre-tax profits to climb from £305,000 to £400,000, thanks to organic sales growth. Interims: Abertoyle Holdings, CPU
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SMALLER COMPANIES

British-Borneo strikes it rich in switch from investment to exploring

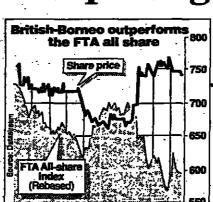
ALAN Gaynor, who earned his stars in the oil industry as joint managing director of Whitehall Petroleum, the Pearson subsidiary, found the challenge of breathing new life into the quaintly titled British-Borneo Petroleum Syndicate difficult to refuse.

He decided that the time was right for British-Borneo, after 50 years as a passive investment company, to re-enter the exploration arena. One year after spending £1.1 million on interests in several blocks in the relatively tranquil waters of the Gulf of Mexico, he remains convinced that the timing was right.

Investors appear to agree. In 1989, British-Borneo shares touched a low of 465p. They now trade at about 750p, having climbed 50p since Iraq invaded Kuwan, and looked steady even when oil prices began to soften last week.

In a short time, British-Borneo has increased the number of blocks in the Gulf of Mexico in which it has interests, while carrying out prelummary work on acreage in Italy and the North Sea, where it received interests in three prospective blocks during last year's licensing round. All this has been done without turning to the City or shareholders for cash. Not one new share has been issued, nor have borrowings been incurred. Analysts are also confident that even if Britis Borneo's exploration programme fails, its ability to continue paying shareholders a dividend will be unaffected.

Mr Gavnor has achieved all this by tapping into the company's extensive investment portfolio, the nucleus of which is 4 million shares in Shell. There are also holdings in BP, Ultramar and a host of other British oil companies. He is funding the exploration programme by disposing of small parcels of shares from the portfolio, much of which was



acquired in the Twenties and Thirties at prices substantially below present levels. The Shell shares are on the books at about 20p. Potential tax liabilities from share trading are employed to shelter drilling expenditure around the world. The Treasury is effectively funding British-Borneo's substantial exploration

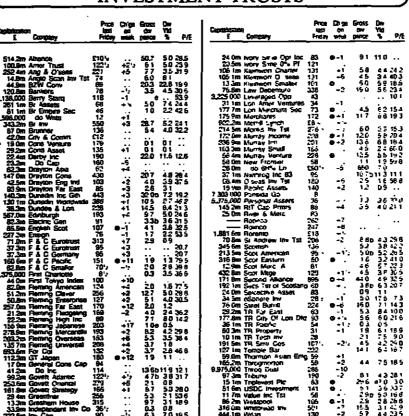
Between £3-£4 million a year will be invested in promising prospects, restricting stakes to between 10 and 20 per cent to limit the risk. Meanwhile, dividend income from the portfolio guarantees a steady earnings stream which underpins the company's at own dividend.

Higher oil prices have heightened concern in America over the country's dependence on foreign oil and given fresh urgency to plans to tap reserves in the Gulf of Mexico, creating great interest among American exploration concerns. Yet British Borneo was able to outbid rivals in August for four leases in the western Gulf, taking the number of blocks in which it has interests to 21; 12

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has crippled many retailers. Profit forecasts for 1990 are likely to remain unchanged but further reductions in interest rates, to which the sector a full year, which equates to between 1p is more sensitive than most, will underpin the prospects for 1990.

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ANALYSTS are taking a fresh look at although shares may remain dull, the ciaries are those that are highly geared. He singles out T Cowie, now at 48p;

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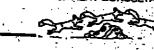
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up-and-coming English conductor would have drawn a smile, and a musical adjustment, from most western orchestral players, but in the heart of Kuala Lumpur it was too obscure an allusion, at least for half of the members of the World Sir Alfred is not a favourite with the classical musicians of Malaysia. Singapore, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia or Fiji. Yet the other half — students from the UK. the United States, Australia, The Netherlands and Germany got the loke

This was one example of the problems facing the first World Youth Music Camp, an ambitious project undertaken by Malaysia as

held last month. sicians, aged between 12 and 28, were invited to Malaysia's capital to play for two weeks. The stated purpose was to highlight classical music in Southeast Asia. Mr Wigglesworth drew

the best from what was, at times, a diffifor however often music is described as an international language, cultural differences were not the only problems.

One of the most important was the varying playing standards, both among the western participants and those from Asia. They varied from students who had just left the Royal Academy of Music. or the Royal Conservatory of Music in The Hague, to an enthusiastic 12-year-old viola player from Borneo.

With many hours of rehearsal, daily tutorials for separate sections of the orchestra, private lessons and the stimulus of chamber music, the standard crept up.
"I knew I had to make sure I didn't bore the good players or demoralise the weaker players." Mr Wigglesworth says. "My aim was to reach the level of a good county youth orchestra."

But there was much more behind the event than a simple two-week youth music camp with a grand name. Malaysia, like many of its neighbouring countries, is trying to establish a music

ing economic status in the region.
"Music, especially western classical music, has not been a real priority for us," says Abdul Fatah The instruction from this young Karim, the director of music at the ministry of culture and tourism. "But now, as we have become more prosperous, we want to feel less isolated internationally."

The musical educational superstructure in Malaysia is uneven. There are about 30,000 candidates Youth Music Camp. Evidently, a year for music grade exams offered by the Associated Board, Trinity College and Guildhall School of Music and Drama, but they are mainly keyboard players. Fewer than 1,000 exams involve

orchestra instruments. The country's only symphony orchestra is made up of a group of students taught by a leading private teacher in Penang. Malaysian schools offer music education at primary level for percussion part of its promotion "Visit instruments, recorders, and a mix-Malaysia 1990", ture of Malaysian

music and western Nearly 100 mu- 'I knew I had to music, but no lessons at secondary school. There is a considerable amount of private teaching, but its availability is tied to its high costs. The majority of the country's inhabit-ants are Malays, but demoralise the weaker players'

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nomic force is the cult but invigorating experience. Chinese who are the most keen to see their children receive a music education. The third section of the population, the Indians, represent a very small percentage of those receiving music education.

> here is no music college or music academy. In this sense. Malaysia is trailing well behind its neighbours. Singapore, Thailand, Indonesia and the Philippines have symphony orchestras and either public or private facilities for further music

The final concert given by the players of the first World Youth Music Camp, transformed for the evening into the World Youth Symphony Orchestra, was heard by as many dignitaries and government ministers as could be persuaded to attend.

Mr Karim says: "We hope it will start the bail rolling so that we can get our symphony orchestra going. and that the government will make an undertaking to open a music college of some kind."

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Personal university challenge

College life can be tough for students with handicaps. But some are finding a welcome on the mat. Liz Gill reports

ndre Cockburn, an outstanding maths pupil, was faced with a decision on his university options. With three excellent Alevels by the age of 15 he seemed an obvious candidate for Oxbridge. A visit to Oxford convinced him that his path lay literally elsewhere.

"All those old, narrow corridors and winding staircases might be charming," he says, "but for me they're hopeless." Mr Cockburn has cerebral palsy, the result of oxygen deprivation at birth. It means he cannot walk without crutches, cannot write, and speaks slowly and often indistinctly. This summer he took a first in pure mathematics at Nottingham University and now, a few weeks after his twentieth birthday, he is beginning research for his PhD in

quantum probability.

The National Bureau for Students with Disabilities (Skill) estimates that between 500 and 600 disabled students went up to British universities last year. Numbers have been increasing in the past few years, due both to higher expectations among disabled people and greater awareness of their needs generally, and they are expected to rise even further with the introduction of a

new system of grants.

The old disability allowance of £765 a year has been increased to £1,000, and any handicapped student who is eligible for the ordinary local education authority student grant may now also be able to claim £4,000 a year for non-medical assistance, such as note taking or interpreting, plus a one-off payment of £3,000 for special equipment.

"This really is a great leap forward," says Michelle Thew, the assistant director of Skill "Students often have very complex needs and this gives them a much wider choice."

Many universities have made significant progress in catering for these needs. Reading, Sussex and Southampton universities, for example, have specially adapted accommodation; Durham has support services for deaf students;



Home from home: Andre Cockburn studies for his PhD at Nottingham University; "perhaps it was the beer that made me feel at home"

Loughborough for blind ones; Leeds offers a Braille service, and Lancaster employs a co-ordinator to aid its disabled students.

For Mr Cockburn, Nottingham's attractions included the fact that everything was on one campus, there were enough ramps and lifts and it provided a minibus with a tail lift to transport handicapped students to lectures and to outside social events. "In theory, there is room for three wheelchairs and another seat, but one night, when we were going to a nightclub, we crammed in a dozen friends as well," he says.

Nottingham also operates a system of Community Service Volunteers, young people who live in the residences and help disabled students. "Once in a while it's OK to ask another student to get you something, but you can't be asking every time you need a cup of coffee." Mr Cockburn says.

Last year his volunteer was Alison Danbury, who has now gone to Bradford to study social work. Her tasks included shopping, going to the library, form filling, tidying up and driving the minibus. "It was brilliant," she says. "I got a taste of university life it was the beer that made me feel without having to do the work. It did wonders for my patience too. You learn a lot. I think it's seeing the amount of effort someone like Andre has to put into doing something you do yourself without thinking."

Mary Foley, Nottingham's senior assistant registrar and coordinator for the 20 or so disabled students on campus, believes universities gain from their presence. "It must be a good thing for other students, particularly those going on to be doctors or social workers, to meet the disabled as equals, rather than as patients or clients. It also puts one's own problems into perspective."

Mr Cockburn says he rarely experienced any of the awkwardness or embarrassment people often show towards the handicapped. "I get that outside a lot, but hardly ever at university. I was worried before I came, but from the moment I arrived it seemed all right. I went for a talk with the

at home."

Nottingham was also prepared to go to some lengths to meet his needs: free photocopying of another student's lecture notes. installing a terminal in his room linked to the university's main computer and, because of the slow rate at which he types, allowing him extra time for exams.

nakes its own policy on accommodating the disabled, but Dr Ted Nield of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals Information Unit. says: "We try to ensure that the disabled student can follow the course of his or her choice somewhere. Most are making an effort, but it's not possible to modify every building, not just because of the cost, but because some of them are listed."

Offset against problems of access must be the advances in technology which can help disabled students. Ms Thew cites, as prime examples, word processors, audio and video equipment and computers with voice synthesizers which can "read" to students. She cannot envisage any physical handicap that could not be accommodated by the right combination of personal assistance and technology.

Her advice to those contemplating university entrance is to organise the support structures well in advance. "Go and see the place. You might be able to get your wheelchair into the library, but can you get it into the refectory

Ultimately, much depends on the individual's personality. Although Mr Cockburn was too severely handicapped to go to a normal school, his family were always determined he should enjoy as full a life as possible - from joining the Cubs to going on a sailing holiday with them. "If you have the chance of university, go for it," Mr Cockburn says. "Have good time. Don't let your disability get in the way."

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he leading player in this story insists on remaining unnamed and unphotographed. He is one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools, an HMI, who believes in collective responsibility and not the cult of the personality. He and his 484 colleagues can, however, critically affect schools with their reports on how they are functioning

For many parents, the reports are the only impartial view of their child's school, warts and all, but they rarely see them, or even hear about them unless they are unusally glowing Schools are often not anxious to make them easily available, but copies will be provided on request and are lways sent to the local library.

Earlier this month The Times accompanied one senior inspector on his follow-up visit to Queen Mary's Grammar School at Walsall, near Birmingham, where he had led a team of five inspectors in April last year on a few and the senior of the sen April last year on a four-day inspection. Queen Mary's is a voluntary sided grammar school of 655 boys—plus eight girls in the sixth form—run by an educational foundation which also controls a girls' grammar school and a

fee-paying preparatory school

Keith Howard, the Cambridge educated headmaster, admitted to feeling "trepidation" when he was given four weeks' notice that his school had been chosen at random for inspection. The school, however, emerged with flying colours.

"Queen Mary's" said the inspectors' report, "is a strong institution which works hard and reach a very high standard and the broad range of extra-curricular activities helps to bring success in the social development of its

Even in a school of this quality. however, the inspectors can find fault: "The pupils in the intake year are bright, enthusiastic and quick witted. It may be a reflection of the system as much as the school that those in the sixth form are able and successful but show rather less enthusiasm and less flair than might be expected. There is little original academic work undertaken by pupils apart from that intended for exam-

Fiercely proud of his school, Mr Howard welcomed the report, but could not let this last point lie. "It is a question of judgment and balance between discipline and freedom. If you give the boys too much licence the whole thing falls apart. They come here for the most part because they want to go on to university, and to get the places they want they have to pass examinations. We have to see that they can do it while helping them to develop as individuals."

When the school inspector calls



Blind man's buff: sixth-form pupils, taking A-level general studies, put a leason in trust to the test by taking blindfolded fellow classmates around the school and guiding them only by word of mouth

The inspectors also want high standards and good examination results, which is certainly what they get at Queen Mary's, but they questioned some of the methods. Nearly all the boys go into the sixth form, and at A-levels this year 104 boys received A grades, 88 B and 59 C, with 100 gaining D and E grades, giving an overall pass rate of 91.4 per cent.

On meeting the senior inspecto since the report's publication, Mr Howard challenged him to explain the phrase "a reflection of the system". "Whose system, ours or he university entrance system? he asked. "Well it could mean the system generally," said the inspec-tor. "Which is it?" asked the head; "it is ambiguous." In true HMI style the inspector smiled: "Let's

leave it that way."

Mr Howard, who lives in a house attached to the school, sets great store by the huge number of out-of-school activities which are a break from day-to-day school, and regrets that the inspectors were not able to see more of them. inspector understood the

to report what we see. If we don't see it we can't report it."

He made allowances, however, for the assembly on the morning of his revisit, when he thought the master leading it should have involved the boys more. "I know", he said, "from what I have seen before that the boys do take

> 'The inspectors made us look at ourselves critically and analytically'

part in assemblies. This one did show that the senior boys have a good grasp of organisation. All the boys had a good understanding of the quite sophisticated style of the master running the assembly, but even so I would have liked to see a greater involvement of the boys." The school is highly disciplined, with sixth formers playing a

argument, but said: "Our brief is leading role in running the school. Every morning, Matthew Holden, the captain of school, and two senior prefects report to the head and his two deputies on the state of the school during the previous day. On this morning they renorted that all doors were closed. lights off, there was some damage in the lavatories and confusion over the number of boys taking packed lunch; one junior boy had been less than co-operative; the head said he would talk to him

later in the day.

All this high discipline, with some "irksome" rules, was too much for the inspectors, who reported: "They are generally directed to worthy ends, but there is a risk that rules for control may unduly restrict the development of self-discipline and diminish selfmotivation. In view of the pupils' demeanour the school might consider some relaxation of control, especially for the older pupils."

The captain of school and his senior prefects did not agree. "I don't think we would want any more freedom than we have, as definitely take advantage," Matthew said. Tim Hannam, one of two vice-captains, agreed; and he accepted, as they all did, the need for school uniform, even for the sixth form: "It is a good idea because there would be a lot of competition as to how people dressed and it would be unfair on the low income families."

The inspector was unmoved, and left the school still believing discipline could be relaxed. A former secondary head himself, he and his team had done their homework on the school before arriving for the original inspection, one of 113 that took place in 1988/89. Individual inspectors then sat in on about 140 lessons at Queen Mary's, reporting that 5 per cent were excellent, 35 per cent good, with 90 per cent being

satisfactory or better. "In most of the 10 per cent of lessons rated less than setisfactory," said the inspectors, "the work was insufficiently demanding or the teaching and learning relied too heavily on a lecturing style which removed much of the thinking from the pupils."

ne test is to gauge the amount of interest shown by pupils. If the teacher asks a question and only one hand goes up. something is wrong. In a French thought could have been improved with displays on the walls or some other visual aids, all the hands went up for every question.

In a GCSE geography lesson, in which pupils had to judge the best way to sell a new town to new industry, most of the teacher's work had been done before the lesson. His classroom role was to explain the task and be on hand to assist. The inspector approved. Lessons which go into minute detail rather than explaining simple concepts get few points.

When an inspector is unduly concerned about a particular lesson he talks to the teacher immediately, asking whether he had considered any changes to his teaching style. "It is often just a matter of fine tuning," the inspector said.

At the end of the inspection a verbal report is given to the headmaster, which is then followed with a briefing for senior staff and governors before the final report is published. "It seemed to me," Mr Howard said, "that the views hardened from meeting to meeting, and then in the report itself."

He had few real complaints: The inspectors made us look at ourselves and our teaching styles critically and analytically. The process had started anyway, but it did give us a focus."

NOTICEBOARD

A show of annoyance

THE usually unflappable Philip Halsey, one of the government's senior education advisors, made his annoyance with education department officials clear at the press conference called to announce the compulsory tests for seven-year-olds.

The new arrangements were to be announced by Mr Halsey, chairman and chief executive of the Schools' Examination and Assessment Council (Seac), but John MacGregor decided he should oversee the launch, leav-ing Mr Halsey to explain details of the tests afterwards, with the aid of examples on an overhead projector. But the exchanges in the House of Commons delayed the launch conference, squeezing Mr Halsey into a few minutes. The test examples remained in his briefcase, as the education department failed to provide him with a projector, and he refused to part with the slides for photocopying and distribution.

Hi-tech students

STUDENTS will need access to a personal computer to win a place on the London Business School's MBA courses. It will be the first time in Britain that fulltime courses have carried such a requirement. Although a common condition of entry at American business schools, personal computers have previously been compulsory only for parttime MBA students at Cranfield School of Management in Bedfordshire. The LBS has decided on a universal requirement because it regards computer competence as an essential element in management training.

In the know?

MICHAEL Thompson, vicechancellor of Birmingham University, seems to have been credited with psychic powers by the university's official journal, The Bulletin. A headline probably not cleared with the English department declared last week: "Vice-chancellor reviews the year ahead". His message turned out to be disappointingly pragmatic and apparently devoid of prior knowledge of events.

At University College, London, however, UCL News sails much closer to the wind. A note appended to an article by Professor Geoffrey Alderman taking issue with views expressed in a previous issue by Derek Roberts, the college provost, read: "The editor showed this letter to the

provost and he replied: 'I do not propose to waste my time with Alderman. Nor do I think that he

should have any right of publication in UCL News." Undercover stuff THE alternative guide to life at Warwick University has upset the headmaster of the Prince of

Wales's old school, Gordon-

stoun. Mark Pyper, head of the school in Moray, Scotland, re-turned his school's copies of the 44-page guide to the underside of student life, on the grounds that it was "distasteful". It includes a chapter headed "Sex, Sex, Sex", offering a "glimpse at the stained sheets of Warwick, gays and heterosexuals alike". Jane Bardsley, the student union general secretary, said: "Warwick students are a clean-living

Liddell memorial

EDINBURGH University has started a fund to erect a memorial in China to Eric Liddell, one of its more famous alumni since his life was chronicled in the film Chariots of Fire. A stone carved from Mull granite has been commissioned after dis-cussions with the Liddell family, and should be in position near the spot where he died by next spring. The university already has an Eric Liddell centre in its physical education department, funded from the proceeds of a Scottish premiere of the film. It expects the cost of the memorial to be around £3,000.

Don't all rush

IN AN attempt to encourage more members of the public to listen to its committee and council meetings, the south London borough of Southwark is offering to pay expenses to anyone who has to hire a baby sitter or pay for help with an elderly relative in order to attend the meetings. It is a policy that is costing the council practically nothing at all.

Slip of the plume

LAST week's visit to France by Jack Straw, the shadow education secretary, provoked an outbreak of franglais from the French embassy. Monsieur Straw, as the official programme for the visit described him, had a private diner on Tuesday 16 Octobre before returning to London the next day at 20h30. The education department has no plans to follow his example in recording the visit of Alan Howarth, the higher education minister, to Hungary.

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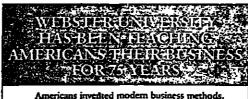
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Attempt to pervert course of justice

and Mr Justice Drake [Judgment October [1]] Although the offence which the

appellant was alleged to have commed had for centuries been described as an attempt to pervert the course of justice, there was authority for the submission that the charge laid against him, contrary to section (1) of the Criminal Attempts Act 1981, was not known to the law as it was not an inchoate offence but a substantive common-law offence

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment applying the proviso to section 2(1) of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968 and dismissing the appeal of Kevin John Williams against his conviction on March 23, 1990. at Middlesex Guildhall Crown Court (Judge Callman and a jury), of attempting to pervert the course of justice, contrary to section 1(1) of the 1981 Act, on which he had been sentenced to three months imprisonment and in allowing an appeal against sentence, which was reduced to 21 days.

Mr R. Alun Jones. QC and Mr John Harwood-Stevenson, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant: Mr Michael Worsley, QC and Mr Nigel Sweeney, neither of whom appeared below, for the

THE LORD CHIEF JUS-TICE, giving the judgment of the court, said that the facts which had given rise to the problems were originally no more than a trivial incident. Two brothers. Dean Clarke

and his brother Ryan, had been out celebrating Ryan's twentyfirst birthday and were both no doubt somewhat the worse for drink. As they walked along the road a police car driven by appellant. a police constable, passed them and stopped.

Ryan flicked a cigarette end at it and, it seemed, hit the car. The appellant arrested him for being drunk and disorderly.

Dean had crossed the road before that incident. He was later arrested in or immediately outside the police station for being drunk and disorderly.

The appellant then purported to record the incident in his incident report book. The prosecution case was that he knowingly and falsely set out the circumstances, the actions of Dean, the place where the various incidents had taken place and where Dean had been

He repeated those details in a form transmitted to the Crown Prosecution Service. Indeed, the allegation on the form was that the two men "were shouting and throwing stones at passing cars".

It seemed to have become common ground at the trial that Dean was not arrested outside the public house as stated in the incident report book, which meant that many of the other assertions in that book were false and/or misleading.

The offence which the appel-Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief lant was alleged to have Justice, Mr Justice Boreham committed had for centuries been described as an attempt to pervert the course of justice and the prosecution therefore took applied, the offence of attempt at common law having been

> indicted him accordingly. The appeliant argued that the offence was not truly an inchoate offence at all and that the mere endeavour to pervert the course of justice was of itself a substantive offence.

abolished by that Act, and

It might be tempting to conclude upon the facts that two possible courses were open to the prosecution. First, to charge a substantive common-law offence, namely dishonest conduct intended to pervert the course of justice. Second, to charge a true attempt, the eventual crime being the actual perversion of the course of justice and the attempt being the attempt to achieve that end, no prosecution in fact having taken

Their Lordships thought that the court was precluded from endorsing the second possibility

In Rowell ((1977) 65 Cr App R 174) Lord Justice Ormrod said: The remaining grounds of appeal, namely duplicity in the indictment and the lack of sufficiently proximate acts to constitute an attempt, are both based, in our opinion, on the same false premise, which arises from the description of the offence as 'attempting to pervert the course of public justice'. The use of the word 'attempt' in this context is misleading.

"The appellant was not charged with an attempt to commit a substantive offence but with the substantive offence itself which is more accurately, in Pollock B's words in Treones ([1891] 1 QB 360 (Crown Cases Reserved)) namely, the doing of an act [or. we would add, a series of acts] which has a tendency and is intended to pervert the course of justice'."

The second reason was that confining the charge to the substantive common-law ofience had the great advantage of simplicity.

Assuming therefore that this was not truly an inchoate crime. not truly an attempt, and that therefore it was wrong to lay the charge under section 1 of the Criminal Attempts Act 1981, and that the judge's refusal so to rule was mistaken, was that mistake fatal to the conviction? Their Lordships thought that

was not necessarily so. In Molyneaux ((1981) 72 Cr App R 111) a similar problem arose. The indictment in that case was defective in that the statement of offence misdescribed a statutory conspiracy as a common-law conspiracy although the essential ingredients of the offence remained properly

It was held that in those circumstances the indictment defective. It was further held, in relation

to the proviso to section 2(1) of the 1968 Act, since interpreting the phrase "conspiracy to de-fraud" was, it anything to narrow the concept of the offence and the ambit of possible conviction, the only possible outcome could be to favour the defence; thus no miscarriage of justice had occurred and the court would apply the proviso and dismiss the appeal.

So far as that aspect of the instant case was concerned the indictment was not, by reason of the wrongful reliance on the 1981 Act a nullity. The mistake of law was such that no miscarriage of justice was caused thereby and it was open to the court in its discretion to apply the proviso.

other grounds of appeal and said that the ground upon which it was perhaps fair to say that counsel for the appellant placed ost reliance was the equivocal attitude of the prosecution to the appeal, and whether that attitude should impel the court on April 5, 1990 the Crown Service, HQ.

In re L (an Minor) (Adoption)

Before Lord Justice Glidewell and Lord Justice Balcombe

Where the mother of an illegiti-

mate child placed the child for adoption and did not wish the

putative father, who was un-ware of the child's existence, to

be informed of the adoption, the court had no jurisdiction to

amend the application form

completed by the proposed adopters so as to show the name

and address of the putative father; neither should the court

direct the local authority to

interview the putative father about his feelings in relation to

The Court of Appeal so stated

giving its reasons for allowing on August 24 the appeal of the local authority, Mid-Glamorgan

County Council, from the de-

cision of Judge Hywel ap Robert

sitting in Pontypridd County

J. for adoption six days after her

birth. According to the mother J was the child of the man with

whom she had lived from 1986

The father accepted that he

was the father of the mother's

first two children but he did not

know of the existence of J who

was conceived after they had

ceased to live together. The mother was anxious that the

father should not know of J's

existence which would happen if

The judge ordered that Form

A6, the originating application for an adoption order completed

he were informed of

to 1988 and who was the father

of her other two children.

The mother placed the child,

Court on June 6.

require the local authority

[Reasons October 11]

was not a nullity, although it was Prosecution Service had written eav that after having the benefit of counsel's advice the Director of Public Prosecutions had decided not to contest the appeal. Following that the appellant was granted bail after spending 21 days in custody.

Later, the matter was considered by different counsel who took the view that the court would in all likelihood apply the proviso to section 2(1) of the 1968 Act and would not allow the prosecution to concede the appeal, since matters of law were for the decision of the court and not for counsel.

Their Lordships did not con-

sider it necessary to decide whether it would ever be proper to exercise such a discretion upon the basis that the prosecution had been guilty of an inappropriate and erroneous ion. It was enough to say that they did not consider it necessary or appropriate to take that course in the present case. justice could be done by an adjustment in the sentence to ensure that the appellant did not

have to return to prison. Solicitors: Crown Prosecution

by the prospective adoptive parents, be amended so as to show the particulars of the man

said to be the father of J. and

directed that the father be

discreetly interviewed by the authority's social worker to

ascertain his wishes and feelings

Mr Mark Evans for the local

authority; Mr Roderic Wood as

now governed by the Adoption Act 1976, section 6 of which

provided that in reaching any decision relating to the adoption

given to the need to safeguard

and promote the welfare of the

alia, unless each parent or guardian agreed to the making

of the order or his/her agree-

ment should be dispensed with

on a ground specified in section

the meaning of the word as used in section 16 or elsewhere in the

(11955] 2 OB 479), but he might

be a "guardian" if he had a parental rights order under sec-tion 4 of the Family Law

Reform Act 1987 or had a

custody order under some other

Paragraph 9 of Form 6 headed parentage" stated: "The child sthe child of ... whose last

known address was ... (or

child was not a "parent"

The father of an illegitimate

see In re M (an Infant)

in relation to the adoption.

Whether decision is in criminal cause

Before Lord Donaldson of Lymington Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Balcombe and Lord Justice Taylor [Judgment October 11]

Where on an application for judicial review, the Divisional Court determined a question raised in respect of criminal proceedings after such proceed-ings had been concluded, the court's decision was nevertheless made in a criminal cause or matter and accordingly the Court of Appeal, pursuant to section 18(1)(a) of the Supreme Court Act 1981, could entertain no appeal against it.

cause or matter, coupled with an ancillary claim for damages, was made primarily with the damages claim in view, the court should, in its discretion, decline to deal with the application and allow the damages claim to proceed as if begun by writ.

The Court of Appeal so held dismissing for want of jurisdic-tion an appeal by the Blandford lustices from the decision of the Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Macpherson) to quash the justices' decision to

his trial on charges under the Public Order Act 1986 and in respect of breach of the peace. The Divisional Court had adjourned the applicant's claim for

Mr Guy Sankey for the jus-tices. Mr Adrian Fulford for the applicant; Mr Paul Garlick as amicus curiae.

LORD JUSTICE TAYLOR said that the applicant was one of a number of persons opposed to fox hunting who was said to have disrupted a hunt in September 1987. He had been Where an application for arrested and charged with of-judicial review in a criminal fences under the 1986 Act and likely to cause a breach of the

Da November 26 on an appearance before the justices the applicant was not prepared abide by a condition which the justices imposed on his proposed bail namely that he should not attend any meet or disrupt any activity of any hunt prior to his trial fixed for February I, 1988.

The justices, taking him to be ne to accept the condition:

Putative father not a 'parent' in adoption

known address was ... (or The note to paragraph 9 included the statement: "If the child is illegitimate, and the putative father has legal custody of the child by virtue of a court order, give details of that order

under paragraph 19."
The intention of the note was clear. The father of an illegitimate child had to be named only when his consent to the adoption was necessary.

LORD JUSTICE BALCOMBE, delivering the reasons of the court, said that adoption was In the court's judgment the judge had no power to require the authority to amend paragraph 9 of Form 6. It was not the authority's form but that of the proposed adopters who, as the judge accepted, did not know the identity of I's father. That part of the judge's order requir-ing the amendment of Form 6 child throughout his childhood. Section 16 of the 1976 Act was made without invisdiction and should be set aside. provided that the adoption order should not be made, inter

The other issue concerned the iudge's direction that the father be interviewed in relation to the adoption. Rule 22(1) of the Adoption Rules (SI 1984 No 265) provided that where the child was placed for adoption the adoption agency (the local authority) should supply a written report covering the matters specified in Schedule 2.

Schedule 2 was divided into seven main paragraphs. Paragraph 2, the relevant paragraph in the instant case, was headed Each natural parent, including where appropriate the father-who was not married to the birth". There then followed subparagraphs giving the particulars to be supplied concerning each natural parent

the meaning of the provision In the court's judgment, the judge fell into two errors. First, the words "where appropriate" were highly significant.

Prima facie, the father of an illegitimate child was not a parent of that child, where the word "parent" was used in the tes relating to adoption or the roles made thereunder. If it father of an illegitimate child in every case, the words appropriate" were wholly superfluous.

In the court's judgment the words "where appropriate" were deanly intended to confer a discretion on the adoption agency preparing the report whether or not to include particulars of the father of an Second, the discretion was in

any event that of the adoption agency. The judge had no power to interfere with the exercise of that discretion unless it had been improperly exercis judge thought that no discretion existed but if, as the Court of Appeal held, there was such a discretion, then it was impossible to say that it was improperly exercised.

The authority, being con vinced that adoption was in J's should not fall through because of an approach, unwanted by the mother, to a putative father who was not even aware of J's

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remand the applicant, John remanded him in custody. The Parament, in custody pending following day he accepted the following day he accepted the condition and was released on

> In January 1988 he applied for judicial review of the justices' decision remanding him in custody. At his trial in February 1988 he admitted that his behaviour had been likely to cause a breach of the peace. He was bound over in the sum of £200 for two years and the Crown offered no evidence against him on the charge under the 1986 Act.

> What constituted a criminal cause or matter had in the past vexed the courts on a number of occasions. In Amand v Hone Secretary and Minister of Defence of Royal Netherlands Gor-ernment ([1943] AC 147) it was held that to decide the issue one must look at the underlying proceedings in which the order

under appeal was made.

Mr Sankey had conceded that
the underlying proceedings to
which the justices' order related
were criminal. The grant or
refusal on bail to a defendant in negral part of the crimina

However, Mr Sankey took a novel point. While conceding hat the Divisional Court has determined a question raised with regard to a criminal proceeding he submitted that the judgment of the court was not in a criminal cause or It was not a step in the

underlying proceedings because. by the time the justices' decision came to be reviewed, whatever the court said could not affect the course of the criminal proceedings or the enforcement of any order in those proceedings. By that time, the applicant had been released on bail and the criminal proceedings had been concluded.

In the earlier cases, as Mr Sankey pointed out, the decision of the Divisional Court had had an effective impact on criminal proceedings which were either still in being or still in contemplation. He relied on part of the indgment of Lord Esher, Master of the Rolls, in Ex

QB 832, 836) where he said: "I think [the provision then in force excluding the Court of Appeal's jurisdiction] applies to a decision by way of judicial a decision by way of judicial determination of any question raised in or with regard to proceedings the subject matter of which is criminal at whatever stage of the proceedings the question arises."

Mr Sankey submitted that that last phrase showed that the proceedings had still to be in being when the question arose for decision by the Divisional In his Lordship's view that

context, and in any event that single phrase was a somewhat slender thread on which to hang Mr Sankey's argument The application for judicial Birmings review was an application to the Solicitor.

was by no means clear from the

decision of an inferior court in criminal proceedings then in progress and was clearly an application in a criminal cause

or matter. Mr Sankey had sought to rationalise his approach by saying that once the criminal proceedings were concluded, the decision of the Divisional Court could not affect their course and was not therefore, in the cause

or matter "at whatever stage of the proceedings". However, once the applicant had been granted bail, any review of the challenged deeision by the Divisional Court would not have affected the course of the criminal proceedings even if that decision had been made at some later of the proceedings" and before they were concluded.

If the Divisional Court's decision was not in a criminal cause or matter, in what type of proceeding was it made? It could not have been a decision in racuo, and his Lordship saw no basis in principle or authority for attributing such a chameleon character to a cause or matter as to make it change from criminal to civil simply because the proceedings were concluded or because the review of the decision in such cause or matter might have been too late to affect the outcome of the

In his Lordship's opinion, the judgment of the Divisional Court was made in a criminal cause or matter.

The practical reason for applying for judicial review was to seek damages. In such a the sole main purpose was to prime the pump for that claim. the best course was for the court to decline, as a matter of discretion, to deal with the application for judicial review and to allow the damages claim to proceed as if begun by writ.

That way the claim in tort for damages could be determined without any pre-judgment as to the rires of the challenged order and the parties would in due course have a clear route on the civil side to the Court of Appeal. Lord Justice Balcombe

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS, also agreeing, said that be would go a little further, in that in his judgment Lord Ester's phrase "at whatever stage of the proceeding the question arise" was apt to include the stage at which proceedings were in contemplation, the stage during which they were being prosecuted and the stage which followed the giving of judgment by the court, a stage at which it could be said that the court was functus officio. So construed, Lord Esher's judgment, for from supporting hir Sankey's argument, destroyed it.

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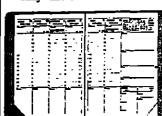
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The best of Bath is no longer on tap

By DAVID HANDS

THE: Rowell, Bath's coach, felt at

seeing his club displace Leicester on Saturday at the top of the Courage Clubs Championship may have been attenuated by the knowledge that Bath are not at their efficient best these days. The reasons are tolerably plain: Bath have to adjust, like any other club, to the loss of key players, and the intensity of league competition coupled with the weight of expectancy from their spectators is still

hard to come to terms with There were indications at the Recreation Ground in the first half against Orrell that Bath would have few difficulties retaining their un-beaten first-division record. When Brierley, the Orrell lock, was sent off ten minutes into the second half for kicking a prostrate opponent, it seemed only a question of time before the 9-8 half-time deficit was erased.

Yet by full time they were relieved to have won by a goal, two tries and a penalty goal to a goal and a try, having made matters inordinately difficult for themselves against a defence which conceded nothing. In adversity, Orrell lost some inhibitions, and if Strett had kicked a penalty goal to reclaim a one-point lead going into the final quarter, victory for the 14 men was by no means impossible; instead, the stand-off half, who had earner posted 100 points for the season with the conversion of his own 1ry, hit a post and Bath, with an injury-time try by Robinson, made matters

Bath scored two delightful first-half tries, the first sustaining play magnificently, the second using Webb as a decoy to give Swift an un-



challenged run to the line. Yet him reviewing options that after the interval they fell between every conceivable stool, neither driving as potentily as they should have done, given their overwhelming domination of the lineout, and perhaps unwilling to believe that their centres would continue to play so

Guscott, at the moment, ooks like a player who needs to think in percentage terms to customary groove. He is such that it is almost possible to see previously as primarily a kick-

would not occur to most players, but against the enthusiastic Orrell tacklers it was all taking too much time on Saturday, the first option is sometimes the best.

Orrell may not be the most sophisticated side in the country when it comes to back play, but they give little away. Their desence, particularly close to their own line, which is where they spent much of get his game back into its the second half, was outstanding and Strett is maturing. I a finely tuned touch player have tended to think of him

ing stand-off, but he has the confidence to express himself for it, even if against Bath they could find no means of giving Heslop, their international desperately wanted to do well so as to claim a place in the England side to play Argentina, which is due to be announced today.

Neither side won any great to Guscott which Strett interscrummage advantage, though Dawe took the tight heads 2-1 (the Orrell strike came when they were down to seven forwards), but though in the

first half Cusani won many first touches at the lineout, it more and Orrell will be better availed Orrell little as Bath came through so swiftly. for Guscott's try, but Barnes, still feeling a groin strain, was off target with his kicking and it was his over-deliberate pass

> Moreover, Barnes chose to run two penalties he (or Webb) might have kicked

> cepted to help nudge his side

was dispatched by Ed Morrison after dangerous use of the boot at a ruck. Though, as is so could find no means of giving "Ball-watching, not man-often the case, Orrell played Heslop, their international watching," Des Seabrook, above themselves thereafter, it wing, a run on a day when he their coach, growled. Webb might just have cost them the desperately wanted to do well and Swift did the donkey work game.

Hopley is ready to cap a meteoric rise through ranks

By BRYAN STILES

DAMIEN Hopley has taken only a handful of matches in senior rugby to convince many a step into the England team should anything happen to Will Carling, the captain.

Such meteoric advancement might be regarded as a little premature, but Hopley will know he is breathing down Carling's neck when he is named today to play in the centre for one of the England B teams at the beginning of next month. This university student's learning curve has swept almost

vertically since he began playing regularly this season with the talented players that abound in the Wasps team. John Elliot, the England selector, was in no doubt about his potential on Saturday after seeing him score one superb try, create another for his centre partner. Graham Childs, and set up a scoring chance that was spurned.

"He has come from nowhere

this season and we have had to take him out of the under-21s so that we can pick him for the B team." Elliot said. "We don't want to have him sitting on the bench for the senior England side, we want to see him in action at B level to assess him." Hopley ruffled Carling's label

in the opening Courage Clubs Championship match of the season when he took the plau-dits as Wasps beat Harlequins. but it was felt that his dazzling performance then might be a flash in the pan.

He has since proved he has

the consistency to succeed at the highest level, and on Saturday is skill was one of the decisive factors in bringing Wasps vic-tory by two tries and two penalty goals to three penalty

Hopley's defensive qualities were on display in the opening quarter when Gloucester looked defence. The visitors were gainfrom Brain in the lineout and it would be rewarded.

But the Wasps' rearguard prevailed and Gloucester trailed the interval, Rob Andrew

kicking two penalty goals in answer to one from Smith, who was one of several attackers to be brought down just short of the try line.

Wasps lost Buzza, the full back, failing to come out for the second half because of a shoul-

der injury. Buzza is another line England prospect, but, luckily for Wasps, they were able to switch Steve Pilgrim, an Eng-land B full back, from the wing. Childs put Wasps 10-3 ahead after Hopley had stepped out of a tackle on the halfway line and raced through to prise open the gap which sent his centre over the try line. Andrew, who lost his tactical and place kicking with the conversion and went on to put three other kicks wide.

Smith was more accurate, kicking two additional penalty goals to bring Gloucester to within a point of their rivals, but Hopley brought the house down with a wonderful 40-yard run in which he broke three tackles and sped through a packed defence before touching down.

Wasps tace a hefty bill when they fly Hopley down from his university in Scotland for all their home league matches. It is a cost they will happily bear if he continues in this vein.

SCORERS: Waspe: Tines: Childs, Hopley, Penalty goals: Andrew (2). Gloucester: Penalty goals: T Smith (3). WASPS: A Buzza (rep. C Winghit: S Smith. G Childs. D Hopley. S Pilgram: R Andrew. B Mason: P Rendell, A Simmons. J Probyn, M Rose, R Kinsey, C Prinsegar, M Winte, D Rivan.

White, D Ryan.
GLOUCESTER: T Smith; D Morgan, I Caske, D Cummers, N Marment; N Hamin, M Harnaford; P Jones, K Durn, R Pascali, D Spencer, D Smis, J Brain, Smith M Tanaco

have protested to Wasps over the charges they faced at Sat-urday's match. They claim that increased for their visit and that they were not allowed to stand where they wanted. A written protest was handed to Wasps'

Strength can be a weakness

By PETER BILLS

Harlequins HARLEQUINS ascent to the shared leadership of the Courno more than one would have expected, given the club's galaxy

of stars, heralds significantly better times for the club. The profusion of quality playthe unwanted reputation of a Manchester United – forever capable of challenging the best recruiting but seldom achieving How things have changed recruiting but seldom achieving - may at last be laying the period of excellence. Saracens. experiencing the converse in fortunes, were eventually brushed aside with disturbing

Harlequins' stand-in captain. Mick Skinner, considered this performance their best for a long time. Bearing in mind that the liumus test for his club comes at Bath in a league match three weeks hence, Skinner said: "I wish we could meet them on Saturday. We had a great result at Nottingham two weeks ago and this display following that one shows we have character and an ability to battle hard."

Harlequins have been im-mensely fortified by the arrival of the Australian international, Coker, who has formed an intimidating lineout partnership with the peerless Ackford. Coker's contribution extends to sterling work in tight and loose and his determined approach has been mirrored by Moore and of course, Skinner. One high tackle the Harlequins captain executed on Buckton which led to a penalty was a shudder-ing physical challenge one closed one's eyes in horror.

But Harlequins will need to be strong at Bath. They accept that the cup holders are again the team to beat, but recognise that their own potency will be proved only when they have faced and overcome the fixture pile-up after Christmas which sees important league and cup games sandwiched between internationals. quins could contribute six internationals to England, Bath may provide only three, and that factor could undermine Harlequins' aspirations this season. They are a vastly improved side that will develop much further if Carling can reproduce his international form in a club

Pears, whose confidence has been broken as easily as an eggshell, demonstrated here hat he could contribute. Immaculate goal-kicking (nine successful kicks from nine attempts) drew Harlequins away from their opponents. But his breaks later in the game which instigated two tries were just as important to his future self-Saracens, ahead early on ai 7-

3, could offer only Clarke's sterling efforts as a token gesture of competition. Their side has fallen apart from last year and unless greater quality is found_ they face a long, hard winter of aurition. The late tries by Glenister. Thompson and Wedderburn cut them to the

SCORERS: Serecons: Try: Clarks: Pen-stry goot: Rucking Harlequine: Them Harriman, Greniste: Thompson, Wedderburn. Conversions: Poars (4). Penstry gooks: Poars (5) Penetty goals: Pasts (5)
SARACENS: S. Robinson: A. Phillips. J.
Buckton. J. Hughes. B. Rading: M.
Fleicher, B. Davies: A. Ruda, R. Abrenat, R.
Andrews. P. Lindley: R. Mallone. L.
Ademson. C. Tarroux, B. Carlon.
HARLECKINAS: R. Gleinster: A. Harman, W.
Carlon. A. Thompson. IA. Wacderburn. D.
Patris, C. Lurton. M. Hobbey, B. Moore. A.
Mudors, M. Skinner, P. Achtore, T. Coher, C.
Margel (Pep. N. Mesch.), C. Beccher.

Anderson. A. Mason (London).

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Fortress Beeston has an air Jed-Forest Steamroller loses of autumn vulnerability

By BARRY TROWBRIDGE

Moseley .. AS BATH and Gloucester can testify. Nottingham and Beeston were a formidable combination towards the end of last season. Both faltered there in the run-in to the Courage Clubs Championship — Gloucester in their final match to hand the title to ring triumph at Harlequins in

Key players have moved on and that, combined with a recent run of injuries, has left a side which is only a shadow of its former rampaging self. On Saturday, it spluttered to an unconvincing rictory over lowly Moseley by four penalty goals to a try and a penalty goal in ideal conditions for a flowing game.

Moseley, 100, beat Harlequins as lest seeson wound down, but their only other championship a handful of strikes against the

victory came against Bedford, and it was the fact that only one team was relegated in 1989-90 that kept them in the top flight. With two going down this time.

they will struggle.
Without ever looking likely to
cross their opponents' line. Nottingham had things very much their own way in the last half hour, and will claim that had Simon Hodgkinson, the England full back, landed all seven of his penalty goal attempts, the final score would have better ted the game. The flair though was missing, and not their first four games, but with a solely due to Neil Back's move 10 Leicester. in Greg Koral, they have

another outstanding flanker, and with Gary Rees, also on top of his game, they left no man untackled as Nottingham strove to make amends in the loose for deficiencies elsewhere.

Roger Taylor, when Moseley took the lead after 18 minutes did the Nottingham cause no good, and they subsequently lost

Their try was a neat one, Graham Smith, a prop, going over wide on the right after feeding Boyle second-phase ball on the narrow side and looping round to collect from Spiller, his wing. Hodgkinson, though, had kicked two penalties by the break and was on hand for two more after Arntzen, with one of his own, had reclaimed the lead

for Moseley nine minutes into

Nottingham are probably ontent with four points from Wasps next to visit Beeston. there are trying times ahead. Incre are trying times ancau.

SCORERS: Nottingham Penalty goals:
Hodgisnson (4). Moseley: Try: Smith.
Penalty goal: Amtzen.
MOTTINGHAM: W Kilford; S Hackney, S
Potter, G Hartley, R Byrom; S
Hodgisnson, C Campbel: M Freer, R
Taylor (rep: J Hudson). L Richardson, G
Koral, C Gray, D Handmarch, G Rees, P
Cook.

COOK.

BOSELEY: S Purdy: D Spiller, C Amtzan, R Maclean, C Spowert: L Boyle, S Robeon: M Linnett, G Cox, G Smith, N Martin, R Taylor, S Lloyd, R Barr, C Raymond.

Irish handicaps are self-imposed

By MICHAEL STEVENSON

Sale... London Irish TWO factors cost London Irish their chances of victory at Brooklands on Saturday and the the leadership of the second division of the Courage Clubs Championship. First, they arrived only ten minutes before the scheduled start, and although the match kicked off ten first half like somnambulists.

minutes late, they played the Second, they defended with

Tour match

First division

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Rosslyn Pk 17 Leicester

Pens: Grant Wine, Laicester, Tries: Wine, Laicester, Tries: Wine, Laicester, Cr., Pens: Lifey.

7 Herisquins

Inspired and organised by Booth, their young scrum half, Sale began in impressive style, before fading in worrying fash-

Sale, 18-3 ahead at the interval. led 26-6 before London Irish managed to sustain an urgency that brought a flurry of points. The pack applied pressure through neat handling, before a pushover, touched down by the excellent Saunders. Collins and Verling also contribsuch naivity and incompetence that, despite largely controlling uted tries, all three being converted by the reliable Mullen.

the game's final quarter, they left themselves to much to do to overhaul the lead Sale had built up.

But Sale answered this burst with two tries of their own, although more resolute defending could have prevented the

final score, by Davies. acorders Sale: Tries: Maskery, Hamer, Startsfield, Powell, Davies, Conversions: Booth (2). Pensity greets: Booth (3). Dropped goal: Shufflebotham, London lists: Tries: Saunders, Cohns, Vering, Conversions: Mullen (3). Pensity goals: Mullen (2). Mullen (2).
SALE: P Hemer: J Powell. P Stansfield, S
Burnhill, R Devies: D Shufflebotham, R
Bootn, M Writtombe, D Taylor, N
Wheeler, M Kenwick, G Parker, T
Bainbridge, S Maskery, A Macfarlane. DATIONAGE, SI MASSACRY, A MECIBERATIO.
LONDON HRISH: J Staples: M. Ocrooran, J. Hewitt, D. Curtis, G. Blenman; B. Multen, R. Saunders; N. Donovan (rep: D. Robson) M. Leonard, A. Hayes, P. Neary, I. Stevens, A. Hurling, P. Collins, A. Millar.

give way to Stirling

By ALAN LORIMER

AFTER the first five rounds of matches in the McEwan's National League, Stirling County, in only their second season in the first division, are the new championship leaders with a 100 per cent record after defeating Kelso 18-3 at Poynder Park. Whether Stirling can maintain this early momentum will be determined in the next two matches, which bring stiff teats and Heriot's FP

Heriot's who have played one game less than Stirling main-tained their challenge with a 26-0 win over Stewart's-Melville at Goldenacre. Three tries came (2) and Hewitt, and the remainder of the points were contrib-uted by the stand-off, Glasgow. Boroughmuir enhanced their prospects by defeating the Sat-

urday morning leaders, Jed-Forest, 31-9 at Riverside with Hall, MacLean, Douglas and McCartney their try-scorers. Jed-Forest hampered by the loss of Kevin Armstrong and their hooker, Barrie, replied with three penalty goals.

The defending champions,
Metrose, had to work hard before overcoming the division

one newcomers, Currie, 18-13 at Malleny Park, helped by tries from Blacklock and the Scotland stand-off. Chalmers. Just above Melrose are Gala, who consolidated their position with a 40-6 win over Edinburgh

Wanderers.

Selkirk gained their first championship points this season with a 25-15 win over Glasgow High/Kelvinside at Old Anniesland. Their try-scorers were Ballantyne, Tukalo and Craig, and there were two conversions and three penalty goals from the full back. Pow.

some of its steam

By GERALD DAVIES

Neath.

Newbridge NEATH remain unbeaten. They are steamrolling along and it is hard to imagine anyone stop-ping them. A defeat for Neath would enliven the premier di-vision of the Heineken League.

Their home record stretches back to the All Black match in October last year. They won this penalty goal to a try and a penalty goal.

Newbridge so disrupted the home team's pattern that Neath failed to play in their usual uptempo manner. Not for a long time have Neath been forced, as they were here, to do so much kicking; they prefer, in their energetic, almost frenetic, way to deal with the ball in hand.

Newbridge kept them on a tight rein, winning the lineout ball through Sutton and forcing Neath to stay down in the scrum. Crane and Taylor, from the back row, aimed their thrusts at the midfield.

Neath had to do so much tackling that their attention was distracted from trying to find their rhythm.

Perhaps Newbridge, who had allowed 116 points to be scored on their last two visits to the Gnoll, were happy to keep things close, trying to drive Neath's scrum back at their line instead of giving Manley a chance at centre, or Westwood and Harries on the wings.

much of Taylor at No. 8, who picked up too often and charged close to the scrum. Had they chanced their arm a little, they might have achieved more. As it is, Neath, who may be

Heineken Welsh League

Abertillery: Pen: Hayward. Pontypool: Tries: Orreil (4). Philips. Cons: Philips (2). Pens: Philips (2). Bridgend 21 Swanses 22

Premier division
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Or perhaps they asked too

attack, always make certain their defence is strong enough in the first place. if Neath stumble, sooner or

later, it will be because the demands on their squad will prove too onerous. Already they are running short in the back row. Phillips and Jones have gone to league. Pugh is sus-pended and, on Saturday, Martin Morris went off the field with an injury. The stock is severely

Morris got the first try when he followed up Bird's superb high kick which Rees fumbled over his own line for the flanker to score. Thorburn converted. penalty and his clever chip shot to the corner gave his wing. Harries, a chance to stretch his legs and win the race for the

Laity restored the lead when he took Bridge's short pass close to a scrum and wended his way past several defenders for a try which Thorburn again converted.

A stern contest developed in second half, largely among the forwards. A lapse by Taylor when picking up the ball from the base of the scrum allowed Bridges to intercept and sprint 40 metres unopposed for his try. Thorburn's penalty goal confirmed their late superiority.

SCORERS: Nesth: Tries: Morris, Bridges, Larty. Conversions: Thorburn (2). Penalty goal: Thorburn. Newbridge: Try: Harnes. Penalty goal: Regs.

NEATH; Prostburn; A Edmunds, C Linty, S Gibbs, G Davies; J Bird, C Bridges; J Davies, K Philips, K Matthews, M Morns (rep: A Varney), G Lewellyn, M Whatson, I Callaghan, A Kembury.

NEWBRIDGE: D Riees: A Harries, C Manley, M Kehoe, J Westwood: P Williams, S Fealey; D Crane, K Waters (rap: S Jones). S Jenkins, P Crane, A Collins, A Sutton, D Roberts, H Taylor.

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Currie: Try: Noien. Pens: Donaldson (3). Metrose: Tries: Blacklock, Chalmers. Cons: Chalmers (2). Pens: Chalmers (2).

First division

Argentine player is suspended

By GEORGE ACE

Ireland B. Argentina...

LUIS Lonardi, Argentina's un-capped loose-head prop, has been suspended for six weeks following his sending-off for Ireland B side at Thornond No decision has yet been taken

Hugo Porta, his captain, was uncharacteristically, also in-volved in an unpleasant incident when, just before the interval, he felled Cunningham with a dipped shoulder. Clayton Thomas, a no-nonsense referee. wagging lecture.

The dismissal of Lonardi and the loss of Simes with a gashed eye so disrupted the Argentine nack that it was difficult to make a proper assessment of their prospects. But there was no doubt about the comprehensive nature of this defeat in the opening game of a most demanding eight-match tour.

SCORERS: Ireland B: Tries: Riordan, Galwey, Bradley, Geoghegan, Conver-sion: Barry, Pensity goals: Sarry (2), Cunningham, Argentina: Try, Scolni, Conversion: Porta, Pensity goals: Porta

(2).

RELAND & C Wilkinson (Malonet: J Rondan (Wanderers), D Clarite (Dolphin).

V Cunningham (St Mary's Colege). S Geoghegan (London insh). N Barry (Garryowen). M Bradiey (Constitution, captant): J Fitzgented (Young Alunster). T Vingeton (Driphin). G Halpin (Wanderers), K Leshy (Wanderers). R Potts (St Mary's College). M Gahvey (Shannon). W McBride (Malone). P Lawlor (Bactive Randers)

New Zealand hit back with vengeance

NARBONNE (AFP) - New Zealand made 14 changes to the Side beaten 19-15 in Toulon on Wednesday, and crushed a Languedoc regional XV 22-6 in the second match of their

rench tour here on Saturday: There were only three points in it with ten minutes to play." but a try by the No. 8 Zinzan Brooke, followed by a penalty try converted by the full back; Kieran Crowley, four minutes later clinched the game. Crowley kicked four penalty goals for a personal contribution of 14

The Narbonne stand-off half, Jean-Marc Lescure, kept the French in contention with a penalty goal just after the break. but a dropped goal on 67 minutes made the score 9-6 for the All Blacks.

Simon Mannix, aged 19, in for the injured Grant Fox, was ... the only player remaining from :

The New Zealand coach, Alex Wylie, said his side was still: making too many mistakes. regional selections were tough and they are proving that," he He said there would be more

changes for the night match on . Wednesday at Brive, but had yet to decide on the international

Bayonne," he said. That is the match against the French Barbarians, on October 30.

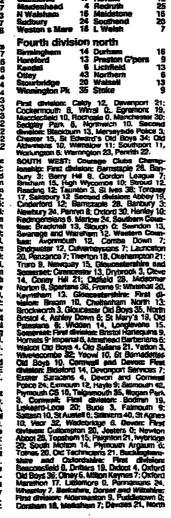
WEEKEND RESULTS AND TABLES

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Brissol: Try: Stiff. Pent Hogg.
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Nottingham: Pens: Hodgkinson (4).
Moseley: Try: Smith. Pen: Amizen. 15 Roselyn Paric Tries: Thomas, Hunter, Pens: Graves (2). Dropped goals: Holder, Letcoster: Tries: Wills, Bales, Cons: Lilby

Saracens: Tries: Clarks, Per: Ruthing. Harlegales: Tries: Glenister, Harriman, Thompson, Wedderburn, Cons: Pears (4). 14 Glaucester Waspe: Tries: Childs, Hopley. Pens: Andraw (2), Gloucester: Pens: Smith (3).







First division Dorset 10. Weymouth 25. LytiCheth Minister 14; Woothon Bassett 4, Chuppenham 6.

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Edinburgh A 28 Hawick 12 Edinburgh Academicals: Tries: Moore (2), Seanson. Shepherd, Gesson, Wanwright Core Burns. Pent Burns. Hawack Pents: Oliver (4). Bridgend: Tries: Apset (2), Webbs. Cons: Party (3). Pen: Parry. Swansea: Tnes: Taylor (2). Cox: Jones. Pens: Jones (4). Lienelli 55 Giamorgan W 9
Lienelli Tries: Setaro (2), Moon (2), Jones
(2), Bowling, Lewis, Cores: Evans (7), Pens: Evans (3), Giamorgan Wanderers: Try: Mansileid. Con: Bolderson. Pen: Bolderson. 46 Edinburgh W 6 Gala Galiz: Tries Learmonth (2), Swan, Bryson, Liddell, Amos. Const. Dodds (6). Edin-burgh Wanderers: Pert. Pultrey. Dropped gost: Crag. Glasgow High 15 Selkirk 25 19 Newbridge Neath: Tries: Lainy, Bridges, Morris. Cons: Thorburn (2), Pen: Thorburn. Newbridge: Try: Harries. Pen: Rees. Pontypridd: Tries: Jarman. 21 Pene: Jenkins (3) Dropped goal: Jenkins. Cardiff: Try: Watkins. Con: Evans. Pena: Evans (4), M.Rayer. Heriot's FP 4 1 0 3 44 94 3 String Co Boroughmuir Jed-Forest Henots & FP Edinburgh A Galas Metrose Hawick Curne Glasgow H Kelso Edinburgh W Selkirk Stewart's

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Cincinnati achieve the sweep that was meant for Oakland

BACK in Ohio, they were just hoping the Cincinnati Reds would do well enough in the World Series to prevent "a sweep". The series takes place over seven games and when one side has won four games it is all over. Cincinnati dreaded the thought of "a sweep", the dire prospect of a series decided by four consecutive an enthralling pitching duel

Experienced baseball watchers predicted, and all Cincinnati feared, that the World Series would be over in the moment when they established themselves as one of the great teams of history. They would be more than a team: they would be a die-nasty.

Well, those who predicted a sweep were correct. The World Series did end after four Games. The winning finest when England are facing team really was ossum: as defeat Gary Lineker's reputossum in single-mindedness ation is not based on cheap as any team in any sport ever hat-tricks against small-timhas been. But the wrong team ers: he was the man with the

and splendid when Cincinnati match to take England into the won the first two games of the series at home. But the dynamics of giant-killing dictate that lightning strikes in the same place only once. We have all grown accustomed to before when the stakes are this fact in FA Cup third- highest. These are "clutch round replays. The plucky players". In this series the underdog draws at home clutch players were all wearing thanks to a succession of red uniforms. unbelievable heroics, but once

to baseball's equivalent of ming goggles. He had a haircut Anfield, the Oakland Coli- that would be considered series 4-0. On Friday, they grunt. won a hitting duel 8-3 and on The grunt hit two home

SIMON BARNES WORLD SERIES

one of those lightly built,

insanely competitive men. If

possessed, diving all over the

place and getting in the way of

everything. His glove was a

trawling net, his arm a ba-

zooka. His response to the

world's acclaim of his heroics

was as grunt-like as you could

wish: "Our work's not done."

Onward, then, to Saturday.

At first it seemed that the

Reds' luck had run out. Their

two best hitters got injured right at the start: Hatcher was

hit on the hand by a pitch and Davis had a horrible diving fall in the outfield. Both went

Oakland had squeezed a run

from the first inning. After

that setback, the Reds' pitcher,

Jose Rijo, did not concede

another hit all night. He had

the kind of game people dream about: he retired 20

The trouble was, his own

team could not score, either, it

looked for a long time as if

Rijo would perform the

phenomenal feat of pitching a

World Series two-hitter and

ger side but could not, as it

were, convert chances into

but not outscoring the A's. But

baseball's nine innings, they

managed to grind out what

was necessary. It took clever

team play, a succession of

bunts (translation: cricket's

blockhole single) and it took

an awful throw, charged as official error, from Jamie

Two runs were scrambled

from that inning. The rest was down to pitching. Rijo contin-

ued to play a blinder, pitching

eight and one third innings for

one run and two hits. He was

also the winning pitcher in

game one and was made the

series MVP, or Most Valuable

Player. Why did you throw so sliders. Jose? "They

showed me they couldn't hit All that was lacking on this

illustrious occasion was Schottzie: this being the dog owned by the Reds' endearing

Schott. After she had dedi-

cated her team's victory to

our troops in the Middle

West", she said: "I know that

when I get home Schottzie is

going to say 'Woof, I should

Quirk, the A's catcher.

goals. They were outhitting

last, in the eighth of

The Reds looked the stron-

batters in succession.

to hospital.

still lose.

not required.

and won 2-1.

It was a majestic show and I am just sorry there is not a whole lot more of it. We have had some wonderful sport four. The Oakland A's were here. The Reds took on a team just too good. This was to be of seamless excellence, and outdid it. They came from behind to win both the last two games. They did this by playing their best at the crucial moments of both games. Boris Becker always serves

his best when he is break point down. Jack Russell bats his nerves of a burglar who scored It was amazing, ridiculous with his second penalty of the World Cup semi-finals.

I have long loved the term that Americans give to such players: the players who perform better than they ever did

Chris Sabo was the clutch they get to Old Trafford or player's clutch player in game Highoury for the replay, it's all three. And what an extraordinary-looking man: he plays The Cincinnati Reds went baseball in prescription swimseum, and they won two severe by a marine. He is, in successive games to win the short, and in the vernacular, a

Saturday they were enmired in runs in consecutive visits to

CRICKET

Pakistan's **bowlers** prove hard to handle

IN LAHORE

PAKISTAN are well on their way to a second successive victory over New Zealand at the Gaddafi Stadium here, in what is proving to be a one-sided Test

he were a rugby player, he New Zealand, with seven would be a poison-dwarf scrum half. He has spent second-innings wickets in hand, still need a further 144 runs to much of his life as an ice make Pakistan bat again, and even that may be beyond them hockey goalie: further eviagainst the rampant home fast bowlers, unless Martin Crowe. dence of incipient insanity is the visiting captain, can play a His Friday night game was a thing of demented beauty. He played third base like a man

big innings.
Crowe, who has already batted 90 minutes for 17 runs, was supported by Danny Morrison ing overs of the third day after Franklin, White and Greatbatch had gone cheaply.

Wasim Akram, Waqar Younis and Aaqib Javed, who shared 18 wickets in the first Test, which Pakistan won by an innings and 43 runs, have again posed too many problems for the New Zealand batsmen. White and Greatbatch had their stumps shattered by Younis, and Saleem Jaffer, the support-ing medium-pacer, induced Frankin to edge a catch to the

wicketkeeper.
"Pakistan have a better team and better fast bowlers." Crowe said during the rest day. Play

resumes today.

On Saturday, Pakistan.
resuming at 252 for four, added another 121 runs before declaring after tea with nine wickets down. Saleem Yousuf added 71 runs with IJaz Ahmed for the fifth wicket and in the course of their partnership scored his thousandth Test run. The Pakistan lead was restricted by some stouthearted bowling by son, who sent back Ijaz Ahmed for 86 on the way to a return of six for 78, the first time he has taken five wickets or more in a Test innings.

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NEW ZEALAND: First Imangs 160.

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T J Frankin e Yousu'b Jaffer

D J White b Youns.

M J Greatbatch b Youns.

M D Crows not out

D K Montson not out

Extras (b 1, lb 5, nb 7)......

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-18, 3-57. BOWLING: Wasım Akram 9-4-15-0 Waqar Youris 10-1-25-2, Aaqib Javed 4-0-14-0, Saleem Jatter 6-4-9-1.

as (b 4, 15 1, nb 12). Total (9 wids dec) dui Qadır did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-98, 2-117, 3-192, 245, 5-317, 6-337, 7-342, 8-363, 9-373. BOWLING: Morrison 29-9-103-1, Pring 31-6-112-1, Watson 36-10-78-6, Patel 16

Alderman right in the groove

TERRY Alderman, the Australian new ball bowler who has taken 83 wickets during the course of two Test series in England, has set his heart on showing a home audience wha he can do during the forthcomng series against Graham Gooch's team.

"I've had success over there but now I'm looking forward to proving that I can bowl outside England and Western Austra-lia. Alderman said yesterday. "The first aim, though, is trying to prepare myself to get through a whole series against England in Australia. I've only ever played one Test against them over here — and that was 1982." In rugby-tackling a spectator who had rushed onto the field at

Perth. Alderman dislocated a

shoulder so badly that he was out of action for the rest of the He certainly looked fit, fresh and as accurate as ever yes-terday while playing against Queensland in a limited overs match. He took two for 23 from ten overs, including a wicker with his second ball. Gooch Alderman's "rabbit" in England

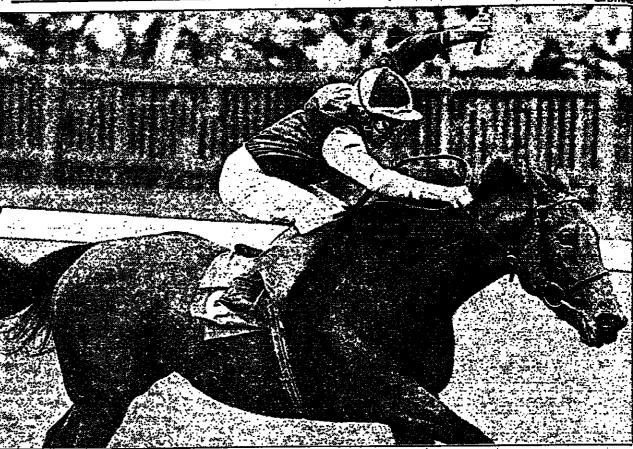
in 1989, did not see him at work.

England's captain was busy training, out of sight, "I've always had good con-tests with Graham over the years." Alderman said. "He's hit me for a couple of hundreds in county matches at Chelmsford I'm probably ahead on points but . . . I've got great respect for Graham and treat him like any other top batsman. I saw a couple of tapes of those inning he played against India last summer and he looked good. "But there's going to be more

to this series than Alderman v

Only tigers shining bright

Desert Orchid reappearance likely to be delayed a fortnight



In The Groove (Steve Camben) powers to an emphatic victory in Newmarket's Dubai Champion Stakes on Saturday

Elsworth's champion touch

By MICHAEL SEELY

RACING CORRESPONDENT DESERT Orchid and Richard Dunwoody had a schooling session together at Whitsbury yesterday morning, but the continuing fine weather in the South West means that Britain's most popular racehorse is now unlikely to make his reappear-ance in Thursday's Terry Biddlecombe Chase

"Dessie" was at his flamboy-ant best," said David Elsworth yesterday, "but unless there is a dramatic change in the weather, we'll have to miss Thursday and wait for the John Bull Chase on the same course a fortnight

Elsworth's green-fingered and brilliant versatility has never been more in evidence than it was at Newmarket on Saturday when in The Groove became the seventh filly or mare -Triptych won in successive seasons 1986 and 87 — in the past nine years to win the Dubai Champion Stakes.

As always, the final group one event of the season for older horses was a top-class race. As Linamix and Freddie Head, who was later fined £200 for improper use of the whip on the French 2,000 Guineas winner, set sail for home at the top of the hill, the limitations of Fimaamul and Kartajana, the 13-8 favourite, were ruthlessly exposed, as Steve Cauthen suc-ceeded in producing in The Groove's peerless acceleration

Just for the record, the power ful In The Groove has now won four of her nine starts this season, including the Irish 1,000 Guineas and the Juddmonte International Stakes. The fact that she has retained her form is as much a tribute to her own iron constitution as it is to her trainer's talents. The pundits have been in-clined to dismiss the filly from

clined to dismiss the filly from calculations, as she had only finished ninth of 21 behind Saurnarez in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. "I didn't think she ran too badly and didn't have too hard a race," said Elsworth."

Although In The Groove appeared to stay 1½ miles when finishing a close third to Salsabil in the Prix Vermeille the filly's in the Prix Vermeille, the filty's remarkable ability to quicken will probably always be seen at its most effective over ten furlongs and it is exciting to hear

that she will be in training again If the invisible clock in Steve Cauthen's head has never worked better than in the immaculate timing he displayed in the Champion Stakes, it must surely have been an error of

judgement to have kicked for home well before passing the Bushes on Further Flight under 9st 1lb in the Tote Cesarewitch. As Trainglot eventually won by six lengths, the tactics may not have made the difference between victory and defeat. But in the event, the race was set up for Trainglot's stamina and light weight to land the other gamble of the race.

that Bromley went into the

second half was only five min-

utes old when Purvis rushed out

to deflect a shot by Hunnisett

with the Hounslow defence well

spread out.
Robert Thompson scored

both goals for Hounslow, but was indebted to Hazlitt who

made the initial run in both

cases. After Hounslow's first

two short corners had proved

unproductive, Hazlitt set out on his own in the fifth minute and

drove the ball to Thompson

After Rees had shot wide

from Hounslow's third short corner, his centre from the left

caused confusion in the Brom-

ley defence which was rescued

who deflected it into goal.

interval a goal behind. The

"I didn't give Willie Carson any instructions," said James Fitzerald. "All he said to me was: "You have to ride this race differently from any other in the calendar. You can wait as long as you like, as they always come back to you."

With the weekend behind us. with the weekend behind us, the Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster next Saturday is the only group one race left to be run in Britain this season. Mujazzif and Shamshir, the winners of the Royal Lodge Stakes and Brent Walker Fillies. Mile on Exercise Of Post Fillies. Mile on Festival Of Britain Day at Ascot, for Michael Stoute and Luca Cumani respectively, will only be sent to the Town Moor if the ground is not too testing. However, Henry Cecil intends to attempt to win the trophy for the eighth time with Peter Davies, the form of whose

Houghton meeting win was made to look better when Bog Protter ran Generous to three uarters of a length in the Other news from Cecil is that Belmez is to miss the Breeders' Cup at Belmont Park the same afternoon. "He took some time

anemoon. The sook some the to get over the Arc and the Breeders' Cup has come too soon. If he runs again this year, it will be in the Japan Cup in Tokyo."
The only previous British success in the Breeders' Cup series was when Pebbles won the

Breeders' Cup Turf at Aqueduct

in 1985. But today the largest contingent ever to fly from this

country depart from Stansted to

overcome their early frustration with a sustained attack in the second half, forcing a short

corner from which Purvis saved

fate of the match was sealed.

with Hounslow scoring their

second goal. Hazlitt covered

much ground to bring both

Andrew Thompson and Ferns

into combined action, the ball eventually drifting to Robert

Thompson, who scored.

BROMLEY: C Wimer: D Willis, M Flichards,
J Gurley, G Barriet, T Harilton, M Cross,
M Hurnister (sub; A Holmes), N Berry, R
Bilsland, J Henderson.

HOUNSLOW: R Purvis: P Bolland. J Potter, M Williamson, D Hacker, S Hazini, N Gordon, O Mackney (sub: A Thompson), R Thompson, A Ferns, J Rees.

Umpires: D Coffer (Southern Counties)

But in the 47th minute the

well from Richards.

Wednesday.

Dayjur will be on his way today for his attempt to win the Breeders' Cup Sprint, "He has been working very well," said Dick Hern yesterday, "but I haven't given him any special approach we will may be have the been working with a part have the well me have the well must be t preparation. We will just have to see if he can handle the bends. After all, he will be working around them before the race."

Perhaps the strongest challenge, as usual, will be for the Breeders' Cup Mile. From this country go Distant Relative, Green Line Express and larkofdistinction.

What a remarkable a ment it would be if Lester Piggott could celebrate his return to the saddle at the age of 54 by winning the Mile on Royal Academy, the winner of the July Cup and, more recently, runner-up to Dayjur at Haydock. Royal Academy showed his ability to stay a mile when finishing second to Tirol in the Irish 2,000 Guineas. "He's got bags of speed. He's tremendously well and is a relatively fresh horse." Said Charles O'Brien yesterday. "I reckon he's tailor-made for Lester, He's his kind of horse." ■ Jack Holt yesterday dismissed fourth horse this summer to be doped when finishing fourth to Dayjur in the Nunthorpe Stakes at York. "Argentum ran too freely on the way to the start. But I am sure he wasn't got at, as he still managed to break the track record."

GAME FACTS

Game Three (at Oakland)

Totals

PTCHING: Cincinnati: Browning, Dibble (7th inning), Myers (8) and Oliver. Oakland: Moore, Sanderson (3), Klink (4), Nelson (4), Burns (8), C Young (9) and Stembach, Winning pitcher: Browning (1-0 in series). Loser: Moore, 0-1, Home runs: Cincinnati: Sabo (2). Oakland: Baines, R Henderson.

A tired Paulus

makes it easy

for Fernandez

Game Four (at Oakland)

2 Runs 7 Hits 1 Errors

PITCHING: Cincinnati Rijo, Myers (9) and Oliver. Oakland: Stewart and Quirk. Winning pitcher: Rijo, 2-0. Loser: Stewart, 0-2. Seve: Myers. Game One: Cincinnati won 7-0. Game Two: Cincinnati won 5-4. Cincinnati

have been there"!"

Work puts Manners on winning road again

MARY Joe Fernandez, who won her first title only IN AS close a finish as a AAA seven runners in contention, championship could wish for. Rob Denmark, a 3min 55sec month, yesterday added the Porsche grand prix as she defeated Barbara Paulus, 6-1, 6-3 (Barry Wood writes). She accepted a new car, instead of \$70,000, to replace the one she already owns in Miami. The match was a disappoint-

with the competitive Six months ago. Manners. spirit of Paulus spent overcoming Zina Garrison and Gabriela Sabatini in the prerious rounds. Paulus, who had the chance of entering the top ten for the first time had she of her shots, and for much of the 67-minute encounter showed only a pale imitation of her usual skills.

Lengthy baseline rallies made it rather tedious clay court tennis, though Paulus's errors mercifully prevented a three our marathon.

Fernandez was rarely tested. except when up a set and 5-1. Then, Paulus struck the ball with more conviction and at-

the sea front. the most part she struggled to keep the ball in court

ATHLETICS

By David Powell ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

hampionship could wish for. lan Manners won the national kilometres road title in Southend yesterday. His success, from a group of 12 athletes bunched together with only one kilometre to go, was a reminder of Sod's Law.

Highgate Harrier, aged 26, left his employment as a BBC engineer to give his full attenion to his sport. "I quit the job but my athletics got worse." he said. Now he is back in work, as an insurance clerk in Bristol. and his athletics is on the way up

Having run only one 10kilometre race before this year. Manners has now won his second and third. Last weekend he triumphed in Cardiff in 29min 26sec; this weekend was slower, 30min 10sec, but on a itors running into a vicious head wind over the return half along

Coming onto the track in Southchurch Park for the last 250 metres, there were still

miler this summer, the race favourite and the one athlete Manners thought might outsprint him, was out of it. Manners, first into the park. needed to hold form well to the

ine His victory will help convince

him of the wisdom of his

decision to move up to 5.000

metres next summer. "I thought metres this year but I ended up with 3:44," Manners said. "I am trying to find an event I can succeed at and this is the start of my build-up to 5.000 metres. Graham Davison, of Norfolk Olympiads, came within a second of Manners, having left his run too late. "Coming onto the track I was eighth — I knew I had a sprint finish but I left it too late." Davison said. Aged 30, he is a relative newcomer, having abandoned semi-professional football at 24 to develop at athletics.

LT: 1, I Manners (Highgate), 30min 2, 2, G Davison (Nortolii, Olympiads), 3, G Gerrard (Wigan Phoenix),

Tyson taking part in it is like

coming back to a city you once

knew well after a long absence.

Bromley. Hounslow

HOUNSLOW had to push their workrate up to suppress the challenge of Bromley in a fast and exciting Poundstretcher National League first division match at the Edenbridge Leisure Centre yesterday.

As champions, Hounslow looked more polished in all departments of play, but Bromley's ability to accelerate at short notice raised a few alarms. Panic might easily have set in if Purvis, in the Hounslow goal,

had not been at his best, It was disappointing for Bromley that their efforts to restore their own fortunes were time, a rising shot by Cross was

by Hamilton with a clearance from near the line. There followed a solo run by Robert Britain's winning run comes to end

THE bubble finally burst for Great Britain over the weekend when they were beaten by New Zealand and Australia in a four nations round robin tour-nament in Wellington (Alix

Ramsay writes). Until Saturday, Britain had won all of their five matches, including two against New Zea-land, and had been scoring goals with ease. But the international arena is a different matter. For the game against New Zealand, Jackie Burns made a recovery from a virus that kept her off the training pitch last

New Zealand wasted no time in taking the lead on Saturday. scoring the only goal of the match after five minutes when Tina Bell converted a scrambled penalty corner.

Britain created chances in both halves, but were unable to make the most of them and lost control of the midfield. Meanwhile, Burns injured her ankle before half-time and was re-

placed by Pauline Lyon.

That injury led to some reshuffling for yesterday's match against Australia. Mandy Pickles came in at right defence with Marjorie Coutts moving to left desence and Lisa Bayliss to centre, while Joanne Menown was preferred to Samantha

It was a better performance from Great Britain as they matched Australia for the first half. Twice, Mary Neville went close to putting Britain ahead, while Jane Sixsmith just failed to convert a Karen Brown cross. in the second half, Australia

12 minutes, Between them, Val Hallam and Mary Neville repelled most, but were unable to stop Liane Tooth and Lee Capes scoring from the set-plays to give Australia a 2-0 victory. With Australia beating Spain 3-1 on Saturday and Spain

defeating New Zealand 2-1 yes-terday, Britain were bottom of the table. Their chance to salvage pride will come today when they play Spain.

GREAT BRITAIN (v New Zeeland): H Morgan (Wales); M Coutts (Scot), K Brown (Eng), M Neville (Eng), L Bayliss (Eng), W Fraser (Scot), J. Weiden (Wales), J Shawath (Eng), A Remany (Scot), J Burns (Inc; sutr. P Lyon, Scot), S Wright (Eng: sub; J Menount, 4re). sub: J Menown, Iro).
GREAT BRITAIN (v Australia): V Hellam
Gright Beyldes, K Brown, M Coutts, W
Fraser, J Menown (sub: S Wright), M
Neville, M Picides (Eng. sub: P Lyon), A
Ramsay, J Sixsmith, L Weddin.

Hounslow in debt to Purvis Hill makes just eluded the lunging stick of Gordon. for Havant Bromley seemed to have

HAVANT and Slough joined. Hourslow in keeping then records intact with victories yesterday in the Poundstretcher National League; but Old Longhtonians and East Grinstead tasted defeat (Sydney Friskin writes).

Southpate survived a testing time by defeating East Grinstead 1-0 with a goal by Kerly in the seventeenth minute from a short corner at Ardingly College. Havant had a more comfortable 5-2 away win over Welton. who scored through Moat and Stamp. For Havant, Hill scored three goals and Williams two. Slough, who defeated Old Loughtonians 2-1 at Chigwell. took- a 2-0 lead within five minutes with goals by Barber,

from a short corner, and Nicholls; Nick Thomspon replyig in the 67th minute. St Albans came back into the St Albans came back into the reckoning with a convincing 5-2 win over Wakefield. Three goals by Halliday and one each by Wisher and De Groot established a 5-0 lead.

Stourport and Isca atoned for

defeats fast week by beating Neston and Cannock respec-Neston and Cannock respectively. In the one first division match on Saturday, between Teddington and Indian Gymskhana, six goals were shared, with Kulbir Bhaura scoring all three for Gymkhana. In the second division, Tro-jans beat Broxboarne 3-0 with

goals by Archer. Martin Aspin and Tubbs. Richmond, too, maintained a winning sequence, beating Guidford 2-1. Cambridge city beat Canter-bury 1-0 and Firebrands also

won 1-0, against Doncaster.

YACHTING

Gautier advantage hits trouble on calm water

THE leadership of the BOC single-handed round the world race was in the balance last night after Altin Gautier and his French yachı, Generali Concorde, ran into caims, allowing his three closest rivals to close the gap during the final stage of this first leg to Cape Town (Barry Pickhall writes). Gautier's fellow Frenchmen.

Christophe Auguin and Philippe Jeantot, were each making more than ten knots as they rode a cold weather front towards the finish 115 miles behind Generali Concorde. Gautier was not expected to pick up these stronger winds until today, promising a close finish off the Cape tomorrow.
In the smaller classes, Jack

Boye, of the United States, who has led Class 2 for a fortnight, saw his lead over the French. man, Yves Dupasquier, and Don Mclayre, from Australia, haive over the weekend, and Britain's first-placed, Josh Hall," has also closed the gap to within 226 miles.

In the Corinthian class, John Davie, from Brighton, who has led almost continually since the race began from Newport, Rhode Island, five weeks ago, has Paul Thackaberry's United States entry. Volcano, just 52 miles astern. Last week the gap was nearer 150 miles.

Leading positions (st 10.00 GNT year 2 tarday, with miss to Cape Town); Class 7: 1. General Concords (A Gauther, Fr) 449 miss; 2. Groups Scata (C Auguun, Fr), 558; 4. Alicot Bank (J Martin, SA), 581; 5. Duraces (M Pitert, US), 847; 6. Jevien (K Britlet, Azs), 653; 7. Innicence (D Adms, Aus), 1.500; 8. Edurada PC (P Autsaler, R), 1.087; 8. Granter (B Reet, SA), 1.200; 10. BBV Expor S2 (J Ugarte Sp), 1290; 11, 13, Albe Flegis (N Fz, Hun), 1.375.

Class 2 1, Project Cdy Kds (L.Boye. US). 1,982 miles; 2, Servert (Y. Dupasquier, Fr). 2,167; 3, Sponsota, Warded (D. Michigher, Russ), 217; 4, New Spirit of Tpswich (1 Hell, GB), 2,211; 5, Koden (Y Tada, Japan), 2,282; 6, Sebago (H Rods, US), 2,252; 7, Tilley Endurable (J. Weber, Carl), 3,820.

TODAY'S FIXTURES **BOXING**

7.30 unless state **FOOTBALL**

Barclay's League Port Vale v West Br Third division Tranmere v Mansfield

Fourth division Stockport v Blackpoo OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Crystal Palace v Brighton. VAUXHALL LEAGUE: Premier divisions HFS LOANS LEAGUE: First division Curzon Ashton v Congleton; Rossendal

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier di-OTHER SPORT SPEEDWAY: Finale meeting (Reading, TENNIS: Micland Bank championship

SPORT ON TV

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: Screensport 13 00-14,00: Highlights of Hamburg v The Hague. Eurosport 23 90-00.30: College match Highlights of UCLA v Anzona ITV 04,00-05.00 (tomorrow) College Pagement.

MOTORCYCLING: Eurosport 12.00-14.00. Highlights of the Japanese grand proc. MOTOR SPORT: Screensport 15.00-17.00 and 22.30-23.30: Truck racing from Jarama. F3000 from Nogaro, and rallycross from Germany. POLO: Screensport 11.30-12.30: High-lights of the Duca D'Aosta Challenge POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONAL: Screensport 07.00-08.00

news ROWING: Eurosport 17:00-17:30: Pre-view to the world championships from Lake Berrngton, Tasmania. RUGSY LEAGUE: 858 15 30-17.00: Tour march. Highlights of Leeds v Australia. SNOOKER: Eurosport 14.00-16.00 and 21.00-22.00: Highlights of the European Championishos from Lyon, and world championships. SPORTSDESK: BSB 13.25, 18.00, 19.30, 22.00 and midnight SPORTSWORLD EXTRA: ITV 00.25-01.25 monow): Boung IRFING: Eurosport 19,00-1930: Surfer

magazine TENNIS: Screensport 23,30-01.00: High-lights of the Dupont All American

cramponship. WEIGHTLIFTING: Eurosport 08:30-09:30: Highlighips of the European championships.

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BOXING: Screensport 10 00-11.30 and 20.00-21.30: Professional events from the United States. Eurosport 22.00-23 00. BSS 22.30-23 05. Superbouts. EQUESTRIANISM: Eurosport 17.30-12 05 Highlights of the three-day event from Bernheim.
EUROSPORT NEWS: Eurosport 19.30-20 00 and 00 30-01 00. FOOTBALL: Screensport 19.30-20 00: Spanish league BSB 13.30-15.30 20.00-22.00 and 00.30-02.30: Scottish and Italian leagues.

It looks the same but feels different. In the city of changing shows. hanging lights and changing fortunes. Tyson seemed to have the permanence of the white tigers of Siegfried and Roy, the Screensport 07:00-08:00 LACING: BSB 23:30-midnight: Racing illusion:sts.

If he had not done his trick of changing from a tiger into a pussyear and losing his title to Douglas in the tenth round in Tokyo, things might have had a more familiar look today. Perhaps this gambling city is still trying to regain its composure after refusing to take bets

on the world heavyweight championship between Tyson and James "Buster" Douglas in Japan, so ridiculous were the challenger's chances. The more likely reason, however, is that the bout between Douglas and Evander Holyfield.

may have a little to do with the and Donald Trump (\$2 mil-World Series that finished yesterday and a lot to do with the Mirage Hotel's failure to capitalise on Douglas's victory because of a prolonged and boring court case between the hotel's owner. Steve Wynn, and Don King, who had a promo-

tional contract with Douglas. To lift the championship out of its depressed state. Wynn has dubbed it "The Moment of Truth", declaring: "It's going to be the moment of truth and the truth is going to hurt." But Wynn could be the one to

feel the blows more than the men in the ring. He may find himself making a loss of \$10 million, even \$18 million. To win the right to promote the contest, Wynn gave Douglas a record purse for any sports-man, of \$24 million, and Holyfield \$8 million. He needs a

further \$8 million to promote

RETURNING to Las Vegas for of Atlanta, has not caught the the show and \$7 million to a world title bout without Mike imagination of the public. It compensate King (\$5 million) lion), taking his outlay to \$47 million. It is a sum that cannot be

recouped, some say. Wynn disagrees, but says any loss would hopes to make \$20 million from a million pay-to-view homes. \$18 million from gate money and \$3 million from foreign television, which would take his receipts to \$41 million. An expected gambling "drop" of \$18 million would put him back

"If you want to pump up a casino," Wynn says, "the way to on to win by 0.10sec. do it is with a heavyweight fight. He may be right, but until Tyson returns he may have to depend on his white tigen rather than the fighters. • The three world governing

bodies have ordered the winner to defend against Tyson.

SWIMMING

Jones adds a third record to her bounty

DEBBIE Jones broke her third

Welsh record of the weekend to win the 400 metres freestyle at the Monk international meeting in Dunfermline, the first leg of the 1990-91 British grand prix, last night (Craig Lord writes). Jones, aged 16, from the City

of Chester club, broke the record by 0.38sec in 4min 19:32sec. Julia Landik, the Soviet breaststroke champion, used her specialist stroke to great effect in the 100 metres individual medley. Turning second to Sharron Davies, of Bracknell, at the halfway stage. Landik passed the Briton on the third leg and held

In the men's 100 metres medley. Ron Dekker, the Dutch champion, held off a challenge from Alexander Savizkij, the fast-improving Soviet, and Mike Fibbens, of Barnet Copthall, to win in 57.07sec.

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Walim can confirm Sandown promise

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first-season trainer James

Fanshawe a taste of success.

he Carson in the saddle.
When he finished third in a

valuable nursery at Ascot 10

days ago, Matahif was not only staying on strongly at the

finish but also trying to give

9lb to the winner Desert

Splendour, who has won a

similar race at Newmarket in

the meantime under a penalty. As far as the Flawborough

Stakes is concerned, although

Adamik has been most consis-

would relish today's step up in

distance after finishing

strongly in that mile listed

Curragh

Charles, confirmed the renewal of a highly successful alliance after juvenile newcomer Classic Venture had made a winning

debut in the Kinneagh Maiden at the Curragh on Saturday. David Morley missed seeing his much-travelled five-year-old

mare Sesame give him a first Irish winner in the group two EBF Blandford Stakes, choosing

instead to visit Catterick Bridge

lead from the start and beld off Topanoora and Mr Pintips with

By MANDARIN (MICHAEL PHILLIPS)

A fine big, imposing son of

For Walter Swinburn,

race over today's course and

distance four weeks ago, Chipaya was back down to 12-

1 from 20-1. At no stage did

she look like letting down those who had availed them-

taken no part in what should

have been her third and

qualifying race for a nursery.

the 1970 triple crown winner She is my nap to beat Negeen.

on strongly in second place at the Woodborough Maiden,

those who had availed them-selves of those palatable odds. Sheikh Mohammed's other

Previously, Chipaya had runner, Kates Cabin, who reared up in the stalls and gave the impression that she

Consequently, she has not race at Ascot earlier this een harshly treated by the month won by Fire The

THE Horris Hill Stakes, run at my selection to win the second give her young and talented Newbury on Thursday, and division. the Racing Post Trophy, which is the feature at Doneaster two days later, are the Nijinsky, Walim looks certain Early in the programme, last remaining accepted classic to cope with today's distance Swinburn will be on Wretham trials for two-year-olds this of ten furlouss after running. House in the first division of SCASOR.

But that does not mean Sandown behind the sub-sequent Royal Lodge Stakes consistent Matahif, with Wil-runner-up Jahafil. be Carson in the saddle. good horses will not be seen elsewhere. Take the corresponding meeting at Nottingham 12 months ago for Walim could easily be the first instance. The two divisions of leg of a double, to be comthe Woodborough Maiden pleted half an bour later by Stakes were won by colts of Chipaya winning the West-Stakes were won by colts of Chipaya winning the West-the calibre of Rock Hopper borough Fillies' Nursery, and Blue Stag.

Before she won a similar

and Blue Stag.
While the former was at one time the ante-post favourite for the Derby following his victory in the trial at Lingfield the latter actually finished second in the Epsom classic and when he won at Notting-ham last year, Blue Stag beat Snurge, the hero of this year's

Time alone will tell whether the fields for today's two divisions contain horses with similar potential. If there is been harshly treated by the one, it is surely Walim, who is handicapper and she should

Piggott at Morley Street leads fine British double the turn of Toby Balding's Morley Street to take the accolades in the £77,640 Breeders
Curi Chase

notable double at Belmont this weekend with Bokaro and Morby Street triumphant in their

the lead three fences from home and the pair strode away to win by 14% lengths from the local borse Hurricane John. Richard Dunwoody and Ninia finished fifth, but were

disquabiled and placed seventh, while Rare Holiday, Dermot wille Morley Street will con-tinue his chasing career with his appointed in tenth place and the following evening, it was repet the Mumm Cordon Rouge triple crown.

Timeless Times is last

TIMELESS Times trailed in last mussen) came with a strong late behind the French-trained River run to beat Fourstars Allstar by Futurity at the Maryland course

on Saturday night. Bill O'Gorman's two-year-old come to an end and he will have was always being scrubbed along to be content with a share of the by Alan Munro and, although he record of 16 victories in a was in third place as the field ran juvenile season, held with Times beat a hasty retreat.

O'Gorman has not yet
River Traffic (Cash As- ruled out another outing.

FAKENHAM: **

Selections

By Mandarin 2.0 Solitary Reaper. 2.30 Tiber River. 3.0 Black Amber. 3.30 Striding Edge. 4.0 Bodge. 4.30

Going: good (chase course); good with good to firm patches (hurdles)

2,0 WALSINGHAM SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE

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10 2553 DECIDRIG BID 12 J Long 4-10-0 R Round 11 -648 MY REEF 26 J Bostock 5-10-0 S Michael 11-4 Vigano, 100-30 Solitary Resper, 4-1 Pokier, 6-1 The Gannochy, 8-1 Lord Pergine, 10-1 others.

2.30 FISHER & SONS (FAKENHAM) LTD HURDLE

Blinkered first time

FOLKESTONE: 4.45 Petivara, Triompha Modest, NOTTING-HAM: 2.30 Court Equerry.

(Amateurs: £2,075: 2m 5f 110yd) (11)

1 26F0 BALLYWEST 23 (F) K Wingrove 12-12-3

(£2,057; 2m 80yd) (11 runners)

LESTER Piggott has four booked rides for Vincent O'Brien at the Curragh tomorrow (Our Irish Racing Correspondent writes). O'Brien's son,

ley Street triumphant in their respective races.

On Friday in the Queen Mother Supreme Hurdle, Bokaro, trained by Charlie Brooks and ridden by Peter Scudamore, collected a £37,267 prize when outclassing 14 rivals. Scudamore let Bokaro, sent off the 4.2-1 third swourtte, take the lead three fences from home.

Again there was no joy for the Irish as both Kiichi, seventh and Grabel, tenth, failed to run up to expectations.

Bokaro will now return to Lambourn where he will be aimed at the two British legs of

the Sports Of Kings Challenge, at Cheltenham and Chepstow,

remarkable season has now

record of 16 victories in a juvenile season, held with

Bean King, who finished in front of the Cesarcwitch winner Trainglot at York, had a rough passage when only fourth to Les Dancelles in the lr£15,000 EBF Giolla Mear Race. It looks as if Timeless Times's

Dolpour fourth.

 Pirate Army and Michael Kinane finished fifth behind Passing Sale in the Prix du Conseil de Paris at Longchamp vesterday.

• Peter Walwyn's filly Tadwin (Geoff Baxter) finished fourth behind the German-trained Fabulous Eden in the group three Premio Omenoni (51) at

Provideo and The Bard, though O Gorman has not yet fully San Siro, Milan, on Saturday. 3.0 WATTON NOVICES CHASE (22,112: 2m) (5)

1 2F-1 PALMERSTON BOY 12 (F.S) A Moore 7-11-12 G Moore 2 -22D BLACK AMBER 18 (BF) N Henderson 6-11-2 R Duswoody 3 522- ROSCOE THE BRAVE 145 (F,S) S Kettlewell 6-11-2

4 542- STAR MAESTRO 364 O Brensen 8-11-2 ... M Breanan 5 -P12 TOUCH OF SPEED 6 (D,F) D Wilsens 6-11-2. B Powell

3.30 MICHAEL SCOTNEY (TURF ACCOUNTANT) HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,343: 2m 80yd) (4) 1 261- JOE BUMPAS 95F (D.F.S) Mass G Rees 4-11-10

2 1121 STRIDING EDGE 13 (D.F) J Jenkins 5-10-12 3 PF22 TIGERS PET 12 (CD.F.G) W Sissil 6-10-3. M Brennes 4 123- FEASIBLE 20 (D.G) S Avery 6-10-0. J Calleghan (A) 6-5 Joe Bumpas, 2-1 Striling Edge, 9-2 Tigers Pet, 4.0 EASTERN DAILY PRESS NOVICES HURDLE

(£1,360: 2m 80yd) (14) PI SUSSES 10,77 STREAM OF TOTAL TO SENSIN Eccles CORNWALL PRINCE 170F N Callaghan 10-7

P LOMBOR 9 Miss G Rees 10-7 W Worthington HASHEED 18F N Callaghan 10-7 D Murphy SCARLET EDWRESS 28F P Kellewsy 10-7 J A Harris WALKERWAY BOY 75F A Bailey 10-7 A Carroll FENAMICA 13F M Ryan 10-2 J Michaeghian FIRE GCLD 11F W Perin 10-2 S Carron (7) 65F GLEBELANDS GRIL 7 (8F) R Bernatt 10-2 L O'Hare (7) MISCAMME 27F J Ringer 10-2 S McNell ZANOBA 93F F Derr 10-2

15-8 Bodge, 4-1 Bullace, 5-1 Rasheed, 7-1 others. 4.30 DEREHAM HANDICAP CHASE (£2.957: 3m)

11-8 The Argonaut, 11-4 Crowecopper, 4-1 Alsoui, **Course specialists**

1 25F0 BALLYWEST 23 (F) K Wingrow 12-12-3
2 0/63 MCGSLLCEDDY 10 (S) J Dooler 10-12-6 D Princhard (7)
3 1112 NORTHSHABRIAN KING 17 (D.SF,F.G) C Thormon
4 040 ROOGER DELL 1608 (F,S) B McMath 10-11-13
6 10-3 TIBER RIVER 142 (B.C.G) C Brooks 5-11-13 G Oxley (7)
6 1223 SANDFORD SAINT 11 (SF,F.G) K Balley 4-11-11
7 4FB- FINAL ALINA 174 (F,S) P Mitchell 7-11-10... B Test (7)
8 -1F1 GE-A 19 (D,F.G.S) F Murphy 11-11-10... B Test (7)
9 P1-D TAING 12 (D,F) A Moors 5-11-8... M Ringer (7)
10 P19- YOUNG FOOL 271 C Smith 6-11-5... M Ringer (7)
11 5522 NEEDWOOD INF 5 D Williams 4-11-2... L Neete (7)
13-8 Tiber River, 100-30 Northumbrien King, 7-2 Geo-A,
5-1 Sandford Saint, 12-1 others. TRAINERS: G Pritchard-Gordon, 5 winners from 10 runners, 50,0%, B McMath, 3 from 9, 33,3%; A Basley, 4 from 13, 30,8%; C Brooks, 4 from 13, 30,8%; P Mitchell, 13 from 45, 28,9%; N Handerson, 3 from 11, 27,3%. JOCKEY'S: G Bradley, 3 winners from 8 rides, 37.5%; S Smith Eccles, 9 from 28, 34.5%; A Cerroll, 12 from 45, 26.7%; R Durwoody, 5 from 24, 20.8%; D Murphy, 3 from 18, 18.8%; R Campbell, 3 from 22, 13.6%.

Saturday's results

Flat leaders **JOCKEYS**

199 (29 82) 0 -088 177 (23 102 1 -70 78 173 102 1 -70 78 173 102 1 -70 78 123 102 12 5 -49 06 100 66 90 0 -46 83 197 112 102 2 -169 82 192 55 56 11 -10 98 84 66 118 -230 84 73 77 68 2 -126 23



Kempton Park 2.15 1, Kaleidos (8-1); 2, Runway Romance (4-11 lav); 3, Himon Meriner (12-1), 11 ran. 2.50 1, Deermess Spook (15-8 fav); 2, Toad Along (11-4); 3, Try Me Now (5-1), 8

Knodkorski. 5.0 1, Homme D'Alfaire (14-1); 2, Reg-gae Best (85-40 fav); 3, Indian Baba (11-4), 9 ran.

Catterick Bridge Catterick Bridge

1.30 1. Stairway To Mauvem (13-8 fav);
2. Something Outch (10-1); 3. Lean'n
Mean (12-1) 20 ren.

2.0 1. Reseable (8-1); 2. Parios (6-1); 3.
Sercus hurry (13-6 fav). 15 ren.

2.00 1. Abort (9-2), 2. Acricius (5-1); 3.
Llancovery (5-2 fav). 16 ren.

3.0 1. Tongadin (12-1); 2. Innergiow (7-1); 3. Surest Lac (33-1); 4. Path Of Condes (10-1); 4. Needwood Sprits (18-1). Burlowed Lousars Gold, Arbite Festow 5-1 jiday. 18 ren. NR: Natholas Medi.

3.51 1. Fabricous (6-11 fav); 2. Bold Span (7-1); 3. Orchendis (16-1). 18 ren.

NR: Sugari Teu.

4.10 1. Sacklein (18-1); 4. Eurobiske (12-1); 3. Listing (10-1); 4. Parisody (8-1). Sendancy Jacqued 4-1 fav. 19 ren. NR:

Newmarket

1.55 1, Rio Piedras (6-1); 2, Potonez
Protta (15-2); 3, Postage Stamp (7-1).
Pierconque 3-1 fev. 11 ran.
2.35 1, In The Groove (9-2); 2, Linemix (14-1), 3, Legan Case (6-1), Kartajana 13-8 isv. 10 ran.
3.05 1, Junit Bood (4-1); 2, Duc De Berry (20-1); 3, Terreconan (33-1). Sacdiers
Hell 11-10 fev. 11 ran.
3.65 1, Treanglet (13-2); 2, Further Flight (9-2) isv. 3 Ceffort Chaptel (20-1); 4, Regal Reform (15-1); 25 ran. NR: Prevane Auditor.
4.20 1, Reforence Light (12-1); 2, Berther Flight (6-1); 3, Paramon Blue (4-7 fev.), 10 ran.
3.45 1, Treanglet (13-2); 2, Descript Music (12-1); Chor Reactice 9-2 iav. 17 ran.
NR Grano Prox.
4.50 1, Reforence Light (12-1); 2, Descript Music (20-1); 3, Tool (6-1), 15 ran.
5.51 1, Voorag Jusze (20-1); 2, Desking Sener (9-1); 3, Hawwern (12-1); 4, Grey Owi (5-1 fav), 29 ran. NR: Well Furnished.
Kempton Park 4.15 1, Oliveston (4-1), 2, Papajono (3-2); 3, Winton A Doubt (14-1), Shu Fly 5-2 law. 13 ran. 4.45 1, Royal Buttery (Evens fav); 2. Tryumphant Led (16-1); 3, Laura's Star (20-1), 11 ran. 5.15 1, Steletter (20-1); 2, Ardsroney Chief (12-1); 3, Salamander Joe (10-1), Asmfald Boy, Cassienchardking 7-2 ji-tava. 16 ran. NR: Ben.

Kelso 2.0 1, Breesling Deson (5-2); 2, Lupy Min-stret (11-10 tay); 3, Flaxon Worrior (20-1), 10 ran. 2.30 1, Blossent Of Treth (2-1 fay); 2, Acnibbule (15-1); 3, Majestic Ride (15-1). Tood Along (11-a); 3, 117
ran.
3.25 I. Aldino (5-2); 2, Stage Player (13-2); 3, Poter Vision (80-1); Kalishan 1-2 tav.: 4 ran. MR: Docuded.
4.0 1. Kereicher Reference (25-1); 2, Impdyna (5-4 ray); 3, Uncle Meriin (4-1); 8 ran.
4.30 1. Backbast Abbey (10-11 fav); 2, Sonas (7-2); 3 ran (Only two lanshed). NR: Knocktrock.
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Southwell 2.15 1, Occamist (3-1 tav); 2, Mixed Bessing (16-1); 3, Curvel (9-2), 9 ran. 2.45 1, Brusoni (2-1); 2, Buddy Hosy (7-4 tav); 3, Humoscous (8-1), 8 ran. 3.15 1, Hiram B Birdhath (2-1 tav); 2, Cansenary Star (6-1); 3, Ran-M-Sun (33-1), 9 ran. 3.45 1, Hizarion (11-8 tav); 2, Working Success (5-1); 3, Crafty Copper (5-1), 7 ran. NR* Beschmour Lad. 4.16 1, Dismes Deatiny (6-4 fav); 2, Snowfire Chap (3-1); 3, Deronicism (5-2), 5 ran.

ran. 4.45 1, Nearly Ready (7-4 k-lav); 2, Dectine (6-1); 3, Peacawork (3-1). Beau Guest 7-4 p-lav. 5 ran.

Selections By Our Newmarket By Mandarin Correspondent 2.00 Enterprise Lady. 2 30 Mazahif 2 30 Matahif 3.00 Kates Cabin. 3.00 ADAMIK (nap). 3.30 Watim. 4.00 CHIPAYA (nap). 4.30 B Grade. 3.30 Walim. 4.00 Chinava By Michael Scely 3.00 KATES CABIN (nap). 3.30 Walim. 4.00 Chipaya. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.00 CHIPAYA.

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Going: good to soft Draw: 5f-6f, high numbers best 2.0 RAINWORTH APPRENTICE SELLING HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,679: 1m 50yd) (20

R Price J Fortune M A Gles SETTING: 4-1 Enterprise Lady, 5-1 Regina Royale, 11-2 Lady Topez, 5-1 Sharp N' Easy, 8-1 La ptotes, 10-1 Star Leader, 12-1 Young India, 14-1 Sirse, Express Edition, 16-1 others. 1889: TONGADIN 8-0 M O'Reilly (14-1) M O'Neil 20 ran

FORM FOCUS STAR LEADER 15th of 20 to Dararoyal (rec 17th) at Yermouth (7t, seller, good to firm). Sharp N' EASY 7th of 15 to Saysana (evels) at Brighton (7t, seller, good to firm). Batterspress LADY 5th 7th to Zizania (gene 9th) at Wolverhampton (1m, b'rap, good to firm). Earlier neck 2nd to Granition Bay (gave 26ib) at Leicester (1m, citizen, good to firm). Sufference (rec 12th) 4th (rec 10b) and ROYAL (1m, citizen, good to firm). LADY TOPAZE 8t 8th to Mexican Vision (gave 18b) at Selection: ENTERPRISE LADY

BETTING: 2-1 Metahif, 7-2 Wrethern House, 4-1 Tyrian Purple, 6-1 Mabithut, 8-1 Attaclate, 12-1 Needham Lad, 14-1 Access Flyer, 16-1 others.

2.30 WOODBOROUGH MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 2-Y-O: £2,060: 1m 2f) (21 runners)

1989: ROCK HOPPER 9-0 P D'Arcy (15-2) M Stoute 12 rar

FORM FOCUS ACCESS PLYER 13th of 23 to Full Of Pluck (gave 46) at York (7f. midn, good to firm). CLEAR LEADER, 123d 8th to Port Sunlight (sevels) at Hay-dock (1m, midn, heavy).

MABTHUL 111 3rd to Red Rainbow (sevels) at Hay-dock (1m, midn, heavy). MATAHEF 63d 3rd to Desert Splendour (rec 9tb) at Ascot (7f, h'cap, good).

Salection: WRETHAM HOUSE 3.0 FLAWBOROUGH STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,978: 1m 2f) (14 runners)

1989: CAMBO 9-0 Pat Eddery (3-1) J Tree 14 ran FORM FOCUS ADAMIK a short head when 2nd to Northern and I (evels) here (1m 21, sties, good to firm). Ascot (1m 21, h'csp, good to firm). Ascot (1m 21, h'csp, good to firm). Ascot (1m 21, h'csp, good to firm). Boild PERFORMER beat Stagecraft (sevels) a head of Lick (rec 16ib) at Haydock (1m 21). RESEARCHISHE MOON (1m 11, Cambridgeshire h'csp, good to Risen Moon (1m 11, Cambridgeshire h'csp, good to firm). Earlier 4t 2nd to Age Of Maracles (rec 7ib) at Selection: ADAMIK (sap)

FOLKESTONE CONTRACTOR Selections

By Our Newmarket By Mandarin Correspondent 1.15 Replicate. 1.15 Access Hotidays. 1.45 Mulciber. 2.15 Gulfland 1.45 Colonial Spirit. 2.15 Checkpoint Charlie. 2.45 Cordillero. 3.15 Masaken. 3.45 Follow The Sea. 4.15 Miss U Like Crazy. 2.45 Sao Paulo. 3.15 Masaken. 3.45 Nodolya. 4.15 Final Offer.

Going: good to firm (straight good) SIS Draw: 6f, high numbers best 1.15 BURWASH MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (Div 1, part 1: 2-Y-O: £2,060; 6f) (11 runners)

J Williams 9 99

1989: CHILDREY 9-0 A Clark (4-5 tav) G Harwood 15 ran 1.45 LEVY BOARD MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,847: 7f) (16 runners)

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600040 BIRLING ASNES 20 (Mrs S Garrad) R Stubbs 9-0.

803 BLUE LLUSION 13 (B Hills) B Hills 9-0.

303 COLONIAL SPERT 16 (Francis Sing Chuen Lul) J Eustace 9-0.

4 DORMERS DELUGHT 19 (Dormers Builders Lut) D Elsworth 9-0.

9 EINCHMERT HATTYFOUR (Ballard (1824) Lut) A Moore 9-0.

1 LAMARSH 41 (Shelith Mohammed) J Goeden 9-0.

5 LINCHMERE LAD 19 (Dezam Insamsporal Lul) Lady Herries 9-0.

52 PAPER DART 18 (BF) (Mrs J Walinger) P Walvyn 9-0.

40 RIVAL BID 21 (BF) (Mrs J Walinger) P Walvyn 9-0.

9 PAPER DART 18 (BF) (Mrs J Walinger) R Smyth 9-0.

9 ERGA ROSE 31 (Mrs S Burley) J Bethell 8-9.

9 ERGA ROSE 31 (Mrs J Manning) R Hannon 8-9.

COME ON MY GIRL (K Sturglet) R Boss 8-8.

404440 PRINCESS KATE 22 (M. Jones) A Moore 8-9.

402 9-4 Mulciber, 4-1 Paper Dart, Rival Bid, 6-1 Dormers Delight, 8-1 Blue Blus .. D Holland (5)
... S Whitworth
..... J Williams
..... T Williams . A Soffey ... A Clerk A Cochrane 98

— A Cochrane 98

— B Saxter 84

— D Biggs (5) © 99

— It Tobbst — 75

— T Quinn 75

— G Doffield 81 SETTING: 9-4 Mulciber, 4-1 Paper Dart, Rival Bid, 5-1 Dormers Delight, 8-1 Blue Blusion, 10-1 Linchmere Led, 14-1 Come On My Girl, 16-1 others. 1989: FIELD GLASS 9-0 W R Swinburn (11-2) M Stoute 16 ran

2.15 LEEDS AMATEUR RIDERS HANDICAP (£2,931: 1m 4f) (20 runners)

1989: KOVALEVSKIA 4-10-1 Staine Bronson (9-1) D Wilson 18 ran

2.45 BIDDENDEN SELLING STAKES (£2,532: 1m 4f) (12 runners) 7 (9) 8 (4) 9 (2) BETTING: 2-1 Cordillero, 9-2 Passion And Mirth, 5-1 Seo Peolo, 6-1 Short Straw, 8-1 Jeroza, 10-1 Phile Friend, 14-1 Casde Cepers, 7m Hat, 16-1 others. 1980: LUCKY NATIVE 3-8-5 M Rimmer (14-1) D Marks 18 ran

3.30 WOODBOROUGH MAIDEN STAKES (Div II; 2-Y-O: £2,060: 1m 2f) (18 runners) 63695 FATHER FIGURE 6 (K Kleanthous) FI Hannon 9-0 | Detect | State | Detect | 99 YOUNG PITT 12 (A Memst) T Jones 9-0...

80 YOUNG PITT 12 (A Memst) T Jones 9-0...

RUSATEEN (R Taberner) R Juckes 8-9....

80 SHUNNER WOOD 7 (5 Suher) B Henbury 8-9...

4 TRISETTE 20 (Mrs D Butter) W Jervis 8-9...

8 VOSTOK 18 (Mrs D MacRee) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-9... BETTING: 10-11 Walm, 3-1 Shining Wood, 5-1 Trisette, 13-2 Father Figure, 8-1 Dance Partout, 10-1 In-1989: BLUE STAG 9-0 M Hills (7-4 fav) B Hills 13 ran FORM FOCUS DERISBAY 10th to Tenayestedon (rac 2b) at Goodwood (7f, mdn., good). SHINNING WOOD 25:1 3rd to Exclusive Virtue (levels) at Lecester (7f, mdn., frm). TRISETTE PATHER FOURE 6h) 5th to Orujo (levels) at Coccester (7f, mdn., frm). TRISETTE 14th to Lecester (1m, mdn., frm). FRISH VALUE 121 4th to Souk (rec 5tb) at Brighton (7f, mdn., good to firm). Selection: WALIM

STBOROUGH FILLIES NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,297: 6f) (21 runners)

50 304 BREAKFAST RIDE 17 (B) (Mrs P Goulandra) J Dunlop 9-7 W Carson: 86

5100 UNWANTED TREASURE 14 (F) (Thengle Lid) J Emerington 8-12... K Derley 86

5100 NYSTIC CRYSTAL 16 (S Fusion) W CGOMAN 8-9... Mrs A Mustre 95

520 NYSTIC CRYSTAL 16 (S Fusion) W CGOMAN 8-9... W R Swinburn 9-35

521 NEGLEN 21 (F) (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maticoum) A Stowart 8-8... M Roberts 9-35

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530 DN Y TURN NEXT 11 (A White) R Holtenhead 8-8... G Rind (3) 86

531 188019 PAAR 6 (BF,F,G) (Mrs N Macauloy) Mrs N Macauley 8-5... A Cultimene 8-1044 PATSYS PET 8 (M Rosenbrook) T Fairburnt 8-4... J Farning (5) 85

531 1040 ASTRAL'S DELIGHT 58 (F) (Heathevon Stables Lid) J Berry 8-4... J Carroll 80

532 SARK INSTAL 13 (C Kliroy) R Hannon 8-2... W Ryan 85

533 DARK INSTAL 13 (C Kliroy) R Hannon 8-2... W Ryan 85

543 1040 MSS FORMEDARE 34 (J Blanchi) G Hutler 8-1... Date Gibson (2) 81

554 DARK INSTAL 13 (C Kliroy) R Hannon 8-2... W Ryan 85

555 DARK INSTAL 13 (C Kliroy) R Hannon 7-8... J Fortune (3) 83

304831 BESS POOL 18 (D,G) (E Laigh-Persberton) D Arbuthnot 7-12... S Wood (3) 81

550 ROSE D'ETOLE 13 (Mrs P Coe) W Certor 7-9... N Adams 80

510 060 SIERRA D'OR 21 (A Budge Lid) R Hannon 7-8... L Chemick 80

510 060 SIERRA D'OR 21 (A Budge Lid) R Hannon 7-8... N Cartiale 80

510 060 SIERRA D'OR 21 (A Budge Lid) R Hannon 7-8... N Cartiale 80

510 060 SIERRA D'OR 21 (A Budge Lid) R Hannon 7-7... N Kennedy (5) 87

510 060 SIERRA D'OR 21 (A Budge Lid) R Hannon 7-8... N Cartiale 80

510 060 SIERRA D'OR 21 (A Budge Lid) R Hannon 7-7... N Kennedy (6) 87

510 060 SIERRA D'OR 21 (A Budge Lid) R Hannon 7-8... N Cartiale 80

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510 060 SIERRA D'OR 21 (A 4.0 WESTBOROUGH FILLIES NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,297: 6f) (21 runners)

FORM FOCUS BREAKFAST RIDE was hampered when ask if the best Senous Henry (gave Sib) by a head at Wolver-hood, 4th to Deld (levels) at Goodwood (6t, mon., poor to firm). NEGEEN was hard ridden to best Senous Henry (gave Sib) by a head at Wolver-hood, 5th and the placing set when 41 Sh to Samsolom (rec 4th) at War-wick (5t., good to firm).

MYSTICAL CRYSTAL 8th of 11 to Crystal Path (level) at Goodwood (6t, clariner, good to Soft).

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Was backed when besting Adeva (rec 3to) by 5th nere

4.30 KEGWORTH HANDICAP (£2,973: 6f) (26 runners)

J Ramsden 4-7-11...... A Munro vsi D Chaoman 4-7-11...... S Wood (3) 064329 KING TREVISIO 49 (R Moody) Mrs J Ramsden 4-7-11... 500009 SOBERING THOUGHTS 7 (I Matthews) D Chapman 4-7-

BSTING: 9-2 B Grade, 5-1 Dawes Of Nelson, 6-1 Neveresque, 7-1 Ballalort, 8-1 Hannen's Boy. 10-1 Cronk's Courage, 12-1 Bernstein Bette, 14-1 Sharp Times, King Trevision, 16-1 others. 1989: ANTHONY LORETTO 4-9-10 W Ryan (8-1) John FitzGerald 25 ran

FORM FOCUS BERNSTEIN BELLE 20th of 24 to Funum (gave 11ib) at Haydook (8f. in cap. good to soft). Earlier 1½ 3rd to Lady Tap (Bevels) at Yamoudh (8f. in cap. good to soft). In cap. good to firm). Hannahrs BOY (8f. bit to The Shanahan Bay (gave 18b) at Haydook (5f. in cap. good to soft). Hannahrs BOY (8f. bit to The Shanahan Bay (gave 8b) at Haydook (5f. in cap. good). Both of 20 to Nortolkiev (gave 10b) with BALLAFORT (rec 10b) 4th 7½! Selection: NAVARESQUE (rec 1b) 4½ 3rd here (1m. bit cap. good). Bather best Langtry Lass (gave 15b) with BALLAFORT (rec 10b) 4th 7½!

Course specialists

TRAINERS

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TRMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F - fell. P - pulled up. U - unseated noer. B - brought down. S - sixped up. R - refused. D - disquashed). Horse's name. Days snoe lest outing: J if jumps. F if flat (B - bulkers. V - visor. H - hood. E - Eyeshield. C - course winner. D - distance winner. CD - course and 3.15 BURWASH MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (Div I, part II: 2-Y-O: 2,060:

3.45 HARDRES HANDICAP (£2,973: 1m 2f) (15 runners) 1989: FIRST VICTORY 3-8-9 R Permam (10-1) R Hannon 15 ran

4.15 BURWASH MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (Div II: 2-Y-O: £2,060: 6f) (18 runners)

4.45 HURSTMONCEUX HANDICAP (£2,847: 6f) (17 runners)

BETTING: 9-2 Forten Prince, 5-1 Orleans Cirl, 6-1 Miss Kellybell, 7-1 Saysana, 8-1 Triomphe Modest, 10-1989: PETTICOAT POWER 3-9-2 J Williams (10-1) G Beiding 20 ran

Course specialists

TRAINERS Per cent 42.9 39.0 27.3 20.5 20.0 18.5 N Day R Cochrane T Quint S Whitworth

Brawl film paints ugly picture Hugh ROUTEBOX Stealthy Fox gets the plaudits in a scintillating show

STUART JONES

DAVID Dein, Arsenal's vicechairman, stood in a basement corridor at Old Trafford after his club's 1-0 victory and saw the evidence which promises to cost the London chub at least another hefty financial penalty. As he watched a television monitor replaying the widespread brawl, he winced as though he himself had been a victim of one of the

When the same damning piece of film is shown at Lancaster Gate, the Football Association will have no choice but to charge Arsenal and Manchester United with misconduct and with bringing the game into disrepute.

Otherwise, the governing body would be remiss in its duty to eliminate gang warfare. David Seaman, standing some 60 yards away from the scene of the crime, was the only player not to be involved. Although most of the other 21 can claim that they were committed merely to restoring peace, some can offer no reasonable excuse for their

shameful conduct. After the minute of mayhem was over, Keith Hackett correctly picked out Anders Limpar and Nigel Winterburn as the principal protagonists. The Swedish winger, in a class of his own, had been legitimately teasing United's right back, Dennis Irwin, until he lit the touchpaper with a cynical and unnecessary foul.

He was not punished by Hackett and the referee's willingness to play the advantage rule was eventually to be to his own disadvantage. Neil Webb, incensed by Limpar's late challenge on Irwin, conducted a fierce verbal argument with Winterburn.

Bad blood was simmering. A few minutes later, it boiled over. The clash between Limpar and Irwin was another petty, niggling dispute until Winterburn recklessly intervened. Apart from putting United's full back out of tomorrow night's European Cup Winners' Cup tie against evidence before giving his Wrexham, his malicious assault was so provocative that even those seated on the nearby benches felt compelled to join the fray and help pull

the pugilists apart.
McClair, mocked by Winterburn after missing a penalty in last season's fixture, at Highbury, sought physical opposition.



Having a ball at the brawl: Adams, of Arsenal, leads the way, pursued by Hughes (left) and Pallister, with Blackmore (right) a distant observer

and belated retribution. long in the mind. Ince. who deposited Limpar on to the running track, Rocastle and Thomas appeared to be intent on creating new animosities.

George Graham, the Arsenal manager, conceded that such incidents cannot be tolerated and, after studying the video, he will take action against anyone he feels worthy of blame. Therein lies an ironic temptation. Limpar has not yet been made to pay for disobeying orders and returning home to Sweden for an international last week. Alex Ferguson preferred

also to review the visual

Although Arsenal have had no one other than Davis suspended for two years, they were fined £20,000 and warned by the FA last December. Then they were considered less culpable than Norwich City, their brawling ball had indeed crossed the

It should have been irrele-vant, anyway. United should As Hackett will doubtless confirm, on this occasion they were the agents provocateurs. Since the FA is empowered to have lifted themselves comfortably clear in the opendeduct League points (the rule, thought to be too ing half-hour. Among the list of scorned opportunities, the ambiguous a year ago, has been altered), the gap between most bizarre featured McClair. Standing in the shadow of Arsenal's bar, he Arsenal and Liverpool could again conceivably be widened. nodded clear a goal-bound It was closed to four points header from Bruce.

on Saturday, but even then The transformation was arthrough controversial circumranged by Graham, appreciatstances. Limpar scored the lone goal in the 42nd minute ing that the marking in midfield was inadequate. He with Arsenal's initial strike. used the time while He caught everyone unawares, Winterburn was being treated first by running over to collect to send messages conveniently a short corner and then by to his players. Merson was pulled back from the front line to follow Phelan; Limpar and bending the expected cross towards the near post. Sealey scrambled to clear, evidently Rocastle were ordered to push up on the flanks. Should a Ferguson, who was himself so surprised that he imagined manager be allowed to intervene in such a way?

Limpar had miscued, offered MANCHESTER UNITED: L Sec no complaints about Hackett's decision. Yet it was impossible to confirm even with the assistance of a slowmotion replay whether the

Att: 47,232 Home record v Arsensi: W 41, L 12, D 19. MANCHESTER U O ARSENAL 1. HT: 0-1. Limpar 43 Thomas 55, Limpar 59, Subs: Subs: Robins 66 (Sharpe), Martin 80 (Irwin) Groves 76 (Rocastle) hots (on target/total) Everton choose hard labour

MATCH FACTS

By DAVID MILLER

Norwich City ..

Liverpool ... A STAR was born, maybe, or a sunny afternoon in East Anglia in a match which was all things that football ought to be Ruel Fox, born in Ipswich, as black and as quick as Pele - who is 50 this week - is worth travelling miles to see.

There are too many league matches these days during which you can leisurely light a pipe, ask after your neighbour's wife's health, consult your diary on next week's appointments. note again the departure time of your train home, and still be quite sure you have missed nothing of importance on the pitch. This was no such match. From first to last, you could not afford to let your eye stray for an instant from an outstanding 90 minutes of entertainment

and skill that was a credit to . . : well, to Norwich and Liverpool There are few English teams that can play at such pace and maintain such control.

The most credit must go to Norwich, who are depleted of players, are in trouble near the foot of the table, yet still were willing to try to match Liverpool willing to my to match Liverpoot pass for pass; and able to succeed. I have seldom, at a League match, been more pleased for club and manager. Dave Stringer should be manager of the month for this performance alone, and not just because its medial. It in proportion because it ended Liverpool's pursuit of Tottenham's 30-yearold record winning sequence.

Norwich were true to String-er's word beforehand: they set out to be as accurate and as industrious as their celebrated opponents, and nearly ran them off the pitch after being, potentially disastrously, a goal down in under two minutes.

With the tactical modification that Gunn, in goal, hit perpetual long high clearances to test Liverpool's suspect central defenders, Norwich were a picture of precision, and only the defiance of Grobbelaar at the other end kept Liverpool in the game during a turbulent second

It was a performance that belied Norwich's statistics this season of conceding more and scoring fewer goals than most other teams. The scoring prob-lem may well remain with them, however, unless Fox can create a revival parmership with either

lected for the first time, and defence, causing repeated alarms. Stringer observed after-wards, however, that it would remain to be seen whether Power could find the same drive when the adrenalin from appearing against Liverpool was appearing against Liverpool was not so spontaneously generated. Gillespie headed Liverpool in front almost unopposed from a corner by Houghton forced by Barnes. Norwich's response lifted the crowd from their seats. An error by Burrows, Liverpool's left back, was soized by
Fox. who exchanged quick
passes with Power before lashing the ball above and beyond
Grobbelaar and in off the

Shortly after the half hour, with Liverpool's defence misjudging a high half from Gunn, Fox had the chance to lob Grobbelaar, but overhit beyond the bar. Early in the second half. Beardsley, from 30 yards, tested Gunn; but mostly the play flowed the other way. Venisor, deputising for Whelan in middeputising for Whetan in mid-field and eventually replaced by Staunton, and Burrows were stretched, Barnes was periph-eral, McMahon out of sorts. Houghton, Beardsley and Rush could not contain Norwich.

Kenny Dalglish was. unsurprisingly, not pleased. He carried the air of a man whose expensive car has just been pranged at both ends, rather than savouring the fact that his team had shared in a scintillating advertisement for the game. He really does seem not to understand for whom his team

is playing. When asked whether he was disappointed that Liverpool's 100 per cent record had ended. the dismissively said with a condescending sneer: "It's only you [the press] who are con-cerned about these things." No. Mr Dalglish: we and also the several hundred thousand who emotionally follow Liverpool's fortunes, the kind of people who 18 months ago were laying flowers and wreaths at Anfield's gate. It is for these, and Norwich's cheerful 21,000, that this match was played, and which brought a smile from all but Mr

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Villa's preparation contrasts Uefa tie

THE days when Plough Lane was a place for visiting teams to fear have, it seems, gone. Wimbledon have yet to win a match at home this season and their problem is underlined by a scoring record of eight goals in

"It was not easy." Dr Jozef Venglos, Villa's Czechoslovakian manager, said after his side had emerged unscathed from a frenzied preparation for Wednesday's Uefa Cup tie at Villa Park against Internat-zionale, the Italian side he acknowledges as one of the supreme club teams in the world.

The Wimbledon programme suggested that "the good doc-tor" might endure a culture shock, visiting Plough Lane for the first time. The same could be said of Giovanni Trappatoni, the later manager, who flew over from Milan for a check on

Venglos and Trappatoni diplomatically avoided disparaging remarks about the Wimbledon style. Trappatoni contented

would play the ball on the ground and hopefully impose, their style on Wednesday \$\frac{1}{2}\$

McGrath, who requires inten-sive treatment up to Wednesday, but Trappatoni must have noted the explosive speed of to be a match winner, and the calming influences of the experienced Cowans and Mountfield.* Ray Harford, the Wimbledon caretaker manager, said: "It gets increasingly hard if you don't break the duck." Wimbledon,

applied a lot of pressure seeking their first home victory without forcing unduc anxiety on Spink. Segers, by contrast, fell to save a deflected shot from Cascaring. just after half-time, beat away a nowerful close-range drive from-Ormondroyd after 65 minutes and prevented Daley snatching

victory for Villa, who have lost

only once in ten matches, late

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Barnes opens door for Walsh

By VINCE WRIGHT

Tottenham Hotspur...... 4 Sheffield United

THE 63rd-minute dismissal of the Sheffield United left back. David Barnes, for two bookable offences on Saturday led to Tottenham winning more comfortably than at one time seemed likely.

A minute after Barnes's

departure. Nayim scored Tottenham's second goal, killing the game as a contest. Paul Walsh, however, was far from finished. The Tottenham forward, who is playing splendidly, added goals in the 78th and ninetieth minutes to the one with which he opened the scoring early in the second half as the hosts registered their biggest League vic-

The news that Liverpool had faltered at Norwich completed a perfect day for Tottenham, who gained ground on the first Jones and Simon Tracey, of

Barclays League

their next League fixture, at men from Antield.

win this season, slipped to the bottom of the table, yet in the first half there was little to choose between the sides. Moreover, the most coherent move came from United and ended with Brian Deane heading Ian Bryson's centre against the underside of the crossbar. It was only the third League goal Tottenham have conceded.

Barnes squared up to Pat Van den Hauwe in the first half and later received his marching orders for kicking the ball away after Bryson fouled Paul Gas-coigne. Dave Bassett, the United manager, conceded Barnes was out of order but complained that the referee. Martin Bodenham, had lost

Bodenham booked Van den Hauwe and Steve Sedgley, of Tottenham, and Barnes, Vinny

unbeaten after nine matches and only Tracey was barshly treated.

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Touchnam are not seen from Seen from Anlield. mance. It says much for their two front players, Walsh and Stewart, that the injured Lineker was hardly missed. Tottenham's lefence is probably as sound as it has ever been, with Sedgley. Van den Hauwe and Mabbutt, an inspiring captain, ensuring Thorstvedt is one of the division's most underworked

in vain.

goalkeepers. United were not as bad as their recent results suggest, but they lost heart when down to ten men and could not contain Walsh, who made a goal for Navim and scored three himself.

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR: E Thorstvedt. M Thomas, P Van den Hauwe, S Sedgley, D Howells, G Mabbutt, P Stewart, P Ges-cogne (sub: J Moncur), Nayen, P Waish, P Alten.

SHEFFIELD UNITED: S Tracey; J Pemberron, D Barnes, V Jones, M Morris, P Beesley, B Marwood (sub: C Bradstraw), J Hoyland, A Agana, B Deane, I Bryson (sub: R Booker).

By IAN ROSS Crystal Palace...

THERE is a growing feeling that Everton's plight is not a product of ill fortune, as has been widely suggested, but more of their own

making.
A laboured performance against a Crystal Palace side above a more usual desire to entertain did nothing to ease the pressure on Colin Harvey, the team manager. Unless those senior players who form the backbone of a side, which only four seasons ago won the League championship, begin to play to something approaching their true capabilities, the club's im-

look bleak. The creativity which hallmarked Everton in the mid-Eighties is now sadly missing, and although the workrate of

honest journeymen, like Mc-

mediate future will continue to

Donald and Ebbrell, is comfort Harvey a good deal commendable, the end product is a disappointing, and largely unattractive, collage of ill-defy-the crossbar with a header in the midfield sequences.

lt says much of Everton's dominating for lengthy periods scrappy, unrefined Cottee, a goalscorer with few equals when on song, did not have one opportunity to test Martyn, the Palace goalkeeper.

Martyn, who enjoyed an afternoon of relative inactivity, was perhaps best placed to pass judgment on a team caught between the security of the past and the uncertainty of the future. "They seem to get into a position 20 yards from goal and then knock the ball out wide and look for a cross when perhaps a shot would be a better idea," he confidence, but things will im-

victory could possibly have been achieved was almost inexcusable. EVERTON: N Southeld; R Atteweld, A Ninchalifie (sub: M Keown), K Ranciffe (sub: M Newell), D Watson, N McDonaid, P Newn, S McCall, G Sharp, A Conee, J Ebbreil. prove. It is only a matter of time because everyone knows that they are a quality side."

CRYSTAL PALACE: N Martyn: J Hum-phrey, R Shaw, A Pardew, E Young, A Thorn, J Satako, G Thomas, M Binght, I Wright, P Barber (sub: A Gray). Referee: K Redfen. Those words will possibly

Premier division

marshalled the home defence superbly, emerged from the game with genuine credit.

Everion will argue that they

were denied a penalty on three occasions. The last, a push on

Nevin by Shaw, was a clear infringement, but proffering

poor refereeing as an excuse is unbecoming of such a club.

In extending to nine matches

their unbeaten start to the season. Palace were almost as

lacklustre as Everton and their

decision to accept a draw when

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GOLF

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at finish

From Patricia Davies

IN MADRID

but Descampe set about proving

never wins, with birdies at the

chipped in. That put her one up.

campe was the champion.

for the first time, and when Reid dropped her second shot of the day, at the short 17th, Des-

Sandy Lyle hit a final round

of 69 for a score of 277 in the Walt Disney World Golf Classic

at Lake Buena Vista, Florida, yesterday. He finished 13

Strokes behind the winner. Tim Simpson, on 264 — one shot ahead of John Mahaffey, also of the United States.

Glory for

Goetze

and her 67

From JOHN HENNESSY

IN CHRISTCHURCH

A BRILLIANT round of 67, six

under par, by Vicki Goetze, the best in the history of the

tournament according to a golf-ing historian in the press corps, carried the United States to an

overwhelming victory in the women's world amateur championship at Russley yesterday.

The United States achieved an eight-round total of 581, one

over par. New Zealand, surpass-

ing themselves in front of an

enthusiasue gallery, were sec-ond, on 597, and Great Britain

Goetze, elfin in character but

Mickey Rooney, had estab-lished herself as a player of

exceptional talent by winning the United States amateur title last year at the age of 16. Now

18, she blazed to the turn in 32, five under par, and knocked off

another birdie coming home. The scoring highlight was an

eagle three at the long 9th, where she holed from 50 yards with a

sand wedge.
Counting scores for Britain

and Ireland were 74 from Claire Hourihane, of Ireland, and 77

from Vicki Thomas, of Wales. Julie Hall, the British cham-

pion, was near tears after drop-ping a third successive shot at

LEADING FINAL SCORES (two lowest scores each day count towards total). 585: United States, 148, 143, 153, 141, 597; New Zealand, 152, 149, 150, 146, 605; Great Britain and Ireland, 153, 146, 155, 151 (J Hall, 74, 77, 76, 78; C Hourhane, 79, 72, 78, 74; V Thomas, 79, 74, 79, 77, 507; Japan, 156, 158, 154, 141, 609; Australia, 155, 151, 150, 153, 811; France, 155, 149, 156, 151; Germany, 150, 151, 151, 159; S Korea, 159, 154, 150, 148, 814; Sweden, 160, 148, 155, 151, 616; Spain, 159, 149, 153, 155.

the 18th for a 79.

and Ireland third, on 605.

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Leeds United.

FOR perhaps three-quarters scored nine times this season of a fast and fluid first division encounter, Roy Wegerle flirted on the periphery. Al-ways able and available but never quite willing to involve himself on a full-time basis. Rather like his state of limbo - born in South Africa, eligible to represent either England or the United States - he drifted in uncertainty.

Yet come the moment of reckoning, his clarity of thought and swiftness of execution were supreme. In the fortieth minute, he left Batty, McAllister, Pearson and Fairclough all floundering Poland recently. Wegerle had before planting a low drive travelled independently on a past Lukic - an effort which even the Leeds supporters rose to acclaim. Nine minutes from trigue deepens. time, he clipped home a Ray Wilkins pass to earn Rangers a ardry, Rangers owed much to

Without the two gems, any impaired and his prompting visiting American scout may priceless. A crisp first-time well have recommended the drive in the 29th minute deletion of Wegerle's name launched Rangers' recovery. from the hosts' 1994 World Leeds also played a whole-

Graduation day for Darlington

THE latest graduates of the GM Vanxhall Conference met for the first time in the League on Saturday, with the newest of arrivals, Darlington, having the last word after twice falling behind

The season before last, Maidstone United had replaced Darlington in the Football League, making a conspicuous success of their first season in the fourth division by reaching

came the latest team to pip Barnet for the Conference title, thereby regaining League status. They arrived for the first time at Watling Street on Saturday in fourth place in the division and eft in second place after win-

ing 3-2. Their win was not achieved without difficulty. Maidstone went into the lead after only nine minutes, Rumble took a quick free kick then sprinted down the left touchline where Butler found him with a precise pass. His cross along the ground was met by Gall, who had no

the season.

Darlington responded well, vith Gill, in midfield, and Mardenborough, in a liberally defined role on the right, working well. But Maidstone were well equipped to counter attack and had Charlery made more of Gall's cross after 38 minutes the game might have been beyond.
Darlington by the interval.

As it was they were level almost immediately after, Smith's pass finding Cork on the left-hand corner of the penalty

IN BRIEF

the next footballing

Wegerle's twin strike, however, would have won over the spired a 2-0 lead inside 17 and is accelerating into international waters. But where will he touch land . . .?

"I suppose I'm leaning 80 per cent towards the United States, but I've still got four years to decide," Wegerle, one of three players booked for dissent, said. "I'm not throwing myself in any direction at this stage, but if Graham Taylor were to want me for, say, an England B match, it could force my decision."

Taylor, the England man-ager, chatted with Wegerle when the United States won in get-to-know-you invitation from the Americans. The in-

Apart from Wegerie's wizclassic counter-attacking vic-the guile of Wilkins. Even at tory on foreign soil. 34, his vision remains un-

Shoestring wonders fail to snap

KEITH BLACKMORE re-

views the third and

heading Toman's free kick past Beeney. Rumble hit a post

the way of the visitors. With four minutes left, Mandenborough streamed once more down the right and his

more down the right and his pass found Toman who lobbed the ball over the diving Beeney for the winner. The result leaves Darlington seven points behind Torquay United, who drew 0-0 with Rochdale, who are fourth. Grimsby. Town retained the lead of the third division by drawing with Birathigham City.

but Southend United, in second

place, were beaten 4-1 by Wigan Athletic, Griffiths scoring twice.

Stoke City were held to a 1-1 draw at home by Cambridge United but remain in third

place.

MADSTONE UNITED: M Beeney: L
Osborne (sub: G Cooper), P Rusbie, L
Berry, M Gottey, D Cicbrow, M Gall, G
Sasbborg, K Charlery (sub: L Henry), S
Subsr, A Sorrell
DARLINGTON: M Prudhoe; S
Mardenburough, F Gray, G Gill, K Smith, G
Costsworth, M Burks. A Toman, J
Bortunck, D Cork (sub: D Gaddie), M Tail.

By WALTER GAMMIE

younger than Wilkins, pulled

most of the strings and in-

minutes, courtesy of Whyte

Barker in support and Sinton

ever-eager on the left flank,

Strachan grew increasingly

subdued as he disappeared up

blind alleys. Batty and McAllister offered only en-deavour while the lack of

mobility of Chapman and

Leeds could have arrested

their slide when Maddix nudged Chapman in the 52nd

minute. Stejskal's long-

awaited debut had already

brought a curious mixture of athletic saves, from Chapman

and Whyte, and sloppy positioning for crosses. But his

Czech expertise was not re-

quired. Strachan's penalty

struck the crossbar and

EN'S PARK RANGERS: J Sleiskal; D daley, K Sensom, P Parker, A Mo-eld, D Maddb, R Wildes, S Barker, L finand (aut): M Falco), R Wegerle, A

Leeds's lifeline went with it.

Pearson up front limited the

options still further.

But whereas Wilkins had

and Chanman.

Yeovil Town ...

area and his shot speeding past CLIVE Whitehead, the Yeovil Beeney into the top right corner. Darlington dominated thereafter although Butler, who had an exceptional afternoon, remained a threat. He it was who Town player-manager, left Fish-er's stadium confident that his club could match any demands he might make for new players. He is at the "if this lot cannot do restored Maidstone's lead after it, I'll have to make changes' 75 minutes with a crashing halfsee of his new iob. volley from 20 yards. Borthwick responded for Darlington five minutes later, Mike Bailey, the Fisher man-

ager, could merely thank his players for the spirit to bury the memories of the 8-1 defeat by Barnet last Tuesday. A penalty by Little, a persistent midfield player, and a screaming volley from Martin, one of two 18-year-olds, gave Fisher a 2-0 lead. Sherwood touched in a goal in the 67th minute to spark Yeovil's rally made unavailing by Bostock, among others. Bai-ley's decision to bring in the goalkeeper on loan from Cam-bridge United, to replace Jolly,

who had played wretchedly at Barnet, was clearly a wise one. Since the skies fell in last month on the Winners Worldwide syndicate that helicoptered in Malcolm Allison, Bailey has been working on a shoestring so frail that even the loss of 24 footballs, at £30 each, kicked over the stand has been felt.

OVET THE STAIRT HAS DEEN REIL.

PISHER ATHLETTC: P Bostock; G
Blackford, P Frier, B Little, J Latigo, M
Smart, D Martin, J Mitchell, P Gorman, H
Mann, J Docker.

YEDVIL. TOWN! D Fry; J Sherwood, S
Harrower, M Shall, S Rutter, J Jackson, R
Cerroll, P Conning, P Wilson, M Spencer,
C Whitehead (auto: T Lowe).

Reference C Finch.

BOWLS

Intentions good but execution faulty

LOUISE TAYLOR reviews the second division

división as a place where midfield skills are redundant is proving increasingly distorted this season. Route one is now the exception rather than the rule, and Ipswich Town's 2-1 win over Newcastle United on Saturday offered another exam-ple of teams attempting a considered passing game.

However, some make a better fist of it than others and, on this evidence. Oldham Athletic and be overly alarmed by challenges from East Anglia and Tyneside. At Portman Road, there was too much dwelling on the ball, and final passes frequently went astray. To be fair, Ipswich were without David Lowe and Jason Dozzell, their two outstanding individuals. Nevertheless, in the speedy Chris Kiwomya they possess an exciting free spirit cossess an exciting free spirit who, when roaming on the left. thrived on the promptings of Romeo Zondervan.

Newcastle's greying defend-ers, the "thirtysomethings" of the division, are vulnerable to pace and hate being run at by players like Kiwomya. Roy Aitken, the captain, remains a ersuasive motivator, but this United team probably peaked last season when finishing third before losing to Sunderland in the play-offs.

Ipswich's second goal, in the enough, owed a lot to powder puff defending. From just inside a penalty area packed with black and white shirts. David Hill passed to Kiwomya, who played a shrewd square ball to Simon Milton. He shrugged off two challengers before beating Burridge with his left foot.

Having originally fallen be-hind to Brian Gayle's header from a corner time minutes earlier, United answered back with a liftieth-minute penalty from Mick Quinn after Craig Forrest had dragged down Scott

Bjorn Kristensen thought he should have had an equaliser in injury time — the effort was rightly adjudged offside protested so strongly that the referee resorted to the red card. Millwall are no longer a long ball team and, unlike Newcastle and loswich, there is nothing ponderous about them. Further testimony to their improvement under Bruce Rioch came at

Meadow Lane, where Kevin
O'Callaghan's goal was sufficient to subdue Notts County.
Now fourth, Millwall are two
points behind West -Ham United, who also won 1-0 away. reputation as a super-substitute with the goal that beat Swindon Town, in a match more attrac-

first division encounters. place to Charlton Athletic by winning 2-1 at Sethurst Park, increasing the pressure on the home manager, Lennie Law-rence, and lessening it slightly on Colin Lee, his Watford counterpart.

PSWICH TOWN: C Forrest: F Yallop, R Zondervan, M Stockwell, B Gayle, D Linightan, D Gregory (sub: G Johnson), I Redford, D Hill, C Kiwomya, S Milton. NEWCASTLE UNITED: J Burridge; K Scott, P Sweeney, R Aldken, J Anderson, D Bradshaw, W Fereday, K Brock, M Quinn, B Kristersen, L O'Brien (sub: S Stean) ree: R Wiseman.



RUGBY LEAGUE

Leeds sandwich: Heugh is the man being smothered by two Australians

Australia ...

LEEDS proved that the visitors tainly not invulnerable, in a splendid contest at Headingley. Leeds took a 10-0 lead in the first quarter, led 10-6 at half-time, and had the 16,000 crowd

Macklin writes).

wind, chased and harried. As other sides have done fleetingly. they took the game to their opponents, tackled hard and prevented them from achieving the arrogant dominance which has been the feature of four comfortable victories.

Gallagher scored the first try from Schofield's pass, and the Australians were so stunned by the reverse that there was a

buzzing.
In that first half, Leeds, led by
Schofield in the backs and the

furious roar in which most
players took part before the
referee incensed the home courageous Dixon in the for- crowd by giving the penalty to

Prolific Hull march on THE outstanding individual in Gerald Cordle, two as Bradford Northern pegged back Hull Kingston Rovers, and the Stones Bitter championship

Kingston Rovers, and Featherstone Rovers made it Steadman, the Castleford and Great Britain half back, who scored three tries, landed five three wins in a row by comfortably disposing of the bottom points in his team's 29-16 defact of a St Helens side hit by On Saturday, in a match goal, dominated by hard tackling. Plant's two penalties enabled Oldham to beat Warrington 4-2. injuries and sickness (Keith Hull maintained their 100 per Lyon kicked the goal for Warrington, who had two tries

cent league record with a comfortable 34-6 win over Shef-field Eagles, and Widnes remain comfortable 34-6 win over Shef-field Eagles, and Widnes remain in second place after a hard fought 16-6 victory away against runaway 50-2 victory away to Chorley. Carlisle lost their un-beaten record 22-10 at Swinton, Wakefield, where Jonathan Davies scored two tries.

The New Zealand centre,
Darrall Shelford, scored three
tries and the Welsh winger,

when Leeds got a second try as Schofield put up a high kick. Belcher spilled it under pressure and Dixon got the touchdown, points up.

campe was the champion.

RESULTS (GB and tre unless stated):
Third round: A Jones (Aus) bit T Johnson,
at 19th; K Douglas bt G Stewart. 1 note; Y
Abubol (Sp) bt C Dhonah (Aus), 5 and 4; F
Descampe (Bel) bit H Almedsson (Swe). 5
and 4; X Wunsch (Sp) bit L Marriz (SA), at
19th; S Moorcraft bit D Hutton (Aus), 5 and
4: D Rend bt S Strudwich, 6 and 4; A
Nicholes bt L Davies, 1 hote. Quarterfinals: Jones bt Douglas, 4 and 2:
Descampe bt Abubol. 2 and 1; Wunsch bt
Moorcraft, 4 and 2; Reid bt Nicholas, 5
and 4; Reid bt Wunsch, 8 and 6. Final:
Descampe bt Reid, 2 and 1.

Sandy I vie hit a final round There was a lapse of concentration by the home side close to half-time, and as the ball was lost Sironen picked up and dived over. Meninga adding the

The Leeds euphoria lasted six minutes into the second half. Sironen made another big drive for the line, and although the Leeds players protested that he was grounded short, the try was awarded and Meninga's goal put the visitors ahead. As Leeds's challenge faded,

Lindner crashed over and ex-cellent handling saw Daley and Belcher send Meninga through a big gap, the Australian captain

SCORERS: Leeds: Tries: Gallagher, Dixon. Goat: Irving. Australia: Tries: Seronen (2), Lindher, Meninga. Goals: Meninga (3).

Meninga (3).

LEEUS: J Gallagher: P Ford, S Iveng, C Gibson, V Fawcert, G Schofield, P Herkin (sub: P Deteney), S Molloy (sub. G Divorsyt, R Guarn, R Powell (sub: D Young). P Dixon, C Heugh, M Kufa.

AUSTRALIANS: G Belcher: A Ettingshausen, M McGaw, M Meninga, M Hancock: L Daley, A Langer: S Foach (sub: M Lazarus). K Walters (sub. B Elias), B Mackay, P Sironen, R Lindner, D Gillespie. Referee: R Tennant (Wakefield).

FOR THE RECORD

Bucknall signs on SUNDERLAND have com-

pleted one of the most cele brated signings ever in British basketball by persuading Steve Bucknall to join them. The Great Britain international was cut by Los Angeles Lakers after a second attempt to

be a success in the NBA.

RUGBY UNION: England beat the Netherlands 27-0 in a women's international yesterday. CYCLING: Chris Boardman. last off in the field of 35 at the South Western RC invitation 50 kilometres, won it in 1hr 10min

RALLYING: After the Finnish driver, Markku Alen, was forced to abandon his Subaru Legacy with a broken gearbox when half aminute ahead, Russell Brooker aminute ahead, Russell Brooker his third went on to claim his third victory of the Audi Sport international rally in Mid Wales.

HOXING: The English feather-weight, Alan Vanchan, won the gold in Lima on Saturday in the sixth world amateur youth championships. Vauchan narrowly outpointed the Penivian, Freddy Blanco.

BOWLS: In an all-Essex decider, Liz Tunn and Brenda Brown, of Colchester, beat Essex County, 20-12, in the pairs, at the British Isles championships qualifying event at Luton. REAL TENNIS: The favourite,

Penny Fellows, overpowered the less experienced Alison Cockcroft, of Yorkshire, in the semi-final of the French open women's championship at Bordeaux without losing a game. DUATHION: Glenn Cook continued his recent winning form in the 220 Duathlon held at Keevil Airfield, Devizes with a victory in 2hr 35min 35sec. TABLE TENNIS: Chen Xinhun, the Chinese former World Cup winner, was beaten 21-18, 15-21, 21-19, by Alan Cooke, holder of the Commonwealth title, at the county championships at St Neots. ICE HOCKEY: Cardiff Devils lost 8-3 to the group favourities.
Pólonia Bytom, after leading 2-1
in their European Cup quarter-

final in Copenhagen. LACROSSE: A match between two sides previously unbeaten this season, ended in an 18-13 win for Cheadle over Heaton Mersey for the Referees Trophy at Didsbury yesterday.

ATHLETICS RCCHDALE: 5.3-mile routi race: Mire 1, P Cusido (Valli), 24min 27eec; 2, P Taylor (Copsiudi), 242; 3, C Morre (Biglay), 2439, Wesser: J Thompson (Bath), 2923. PEKING: Belling International maretton: size: P Dat Dent, 21 14min 55sec. Woman: L Yemel (China), 232:14. BASEBALL

CAKLAND, California: World Series: Third game: Cincinnati Reds 8, Oaktand A's 3. Fourth game: Cincinnati 2, Oaktand 1 (Cis-cinnati wist best-of-seven series, 4-0). BASKETBALL

MATWEST TROPHY: First result: Stantoton Worthop Seers 102, London Docklands 52, CARLSSERG LEAGUE: Mere: First division: Destry Renes 109, Kodat Hemsel Hempested Royals 27; Casbury's Soost Kingston 98, Ludester City Hempested Royals 27; Casbury's Soost Kingston 98, Sunderfend 118, Sectoral division: Christian Jess 93, Addiction: Christian Jess 93, Addiction However, Figure 27; Dorcester Engles 104, Coventy Fyers 74; Citizem Catios 88, Civil Lessure Browdowns 75; Pymouth Raiders 28, Barly Metros 85; Watdord Rabels: 121, Manchester Size Jays 69, Taird distalonc Caldredsite Engles 98, Civil Residence 102, Test Carlston Fast Breake 68, Wesser First distalonc Administrative Glants 34, London Jess 68, Second divisionc Hartesdan 82, Wirrat 61.

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YACHTING ALSCICLAND: Staininger Cap restrict race secret Semi-fined qualifiers: 7 wins: R Davis pizz, M Jones pizz, 6 wins: P Gilmore (Aus) 5 lates: R Gostin (AZ); 2. P Gilmore (AZ); 2. P Gilmore (AZ); 2.

ENGLISH WOMEN'S INDOOR ASSOCIATION: Play-off for Belfish isless champion-shipe (at Juson): Singles, Semi-finate: E Bessell (Yeovill br G Smith (Bertham), 21-12; C Roberson (Blobe Menderville) bit M Steele (Egham), 21-8. Float Bertham bit Robertson, 21-16, Parker Semi-finate: E turn and B Brown (Colchester) bit J Rowntree and G Thomas (West Comment), 28-7; Westher and E Schooling (Espex County) br I. Reed and B Traitord (Chewvell), 30-18. Finate Colchester bit Espex County br I. Reed and B Traitord (Chewvell), 30-18. Finate Colchester bit Espex County and E Schooling (Espex County) br I. Reed and B Traitord (Chewvell), 30-18. Finate Colchester bit Espex County and E Schooling (Espex County) br I. Reed and B Traitord (Chewvell), 30-18. Finate Colchester bit Espex County and Experiment by Especial Bit Comments by Experiment County (E) Combidge Chesterion (P Hypor) bit York (B Shabbings), 22-19; Dertford Stone Lodge (D Bettelerlor) to Hong George Reid (M School) 11-12. Finate Cambridge Chesterion bit Dartford Stone Lodge, 21-16.

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Marshall (GB), 15-12, 14-15, 15-4, 10-15, 15-9;
G. Ditmar (Aus) bit M Machaen (GB), 15-7, 1515, 15-5, 15-9; T Marchartov (Aus) bit R Martin
(Aus), 15-2, 15-10, 15-14; 15-16 (Aus) bit R
Adamting (Sp), 8-15, 15-5; 15-7, 16-3, 8-maifilmin; R Mayon bit Robertson, 13-15, 15-0, 1216, 15-4, 15-8; Datmar bit B Martin, 15-9, 1510, 15-10, 15

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Critewick 0, Imporis College 1: ONT 1,
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Warvachs D. Leicester Westleigh 3; Frat
dielelen: Abringle 2. Numeston 3; Bridgnorth

5. Chesterfleid 1; Derby 0, Egbaston 4;
Hambion in Arden 4, Nottinghem 1; Kings
Heath 3, Spone 1; Licriteid 3, Khalsa 4;
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Notingham 1, Worcester Norton 4.

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ICE HOCKEY MEW YORK National Hockey League: Fil-day; New Jersey Devis 3. New York Rangers 2: Buffalo Sahras 4. Priscurgh Penguris 4; Washington Capitais 4. New York Islanders 3; Warnington Capitais 4. New York Islanders 5; Edmonston Dilens 8. Bosson Bruns 1; Los Angales Kings 5, Harnord Whales 2; Sal-urding- New York Rangers 4. Pritsburgh Pangerins 3: Cuables Nordiques 5; Bertrot Rad Wings 3; Buffalo Sabras 3, New York Islanders 1; Washington Capitals 4, New Jersey Davids 0; Caligary Flames 8. Boston Bruns 1; Prifiadelphia Piyers 5, Montrest Canadiens 3; Toromo Nagol Losts 6, Chracgo Black Hawks 2; St Lous Blues 2, Minnesota North Stars 2.

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KANNAMI, Japan: Women's tournament: Leading second-round scores (Japan unless straid? 140k K OH-hee (5 Kor), 64, 72, 147; W Mitta-yeh (Tatusan), 75, 71, 148; R Irrabon, 73, 75; M Inompto, 73, 75, 149; A Benz (US), 73, 76, 150; T Al-yu (Tawan), 74, 78. TOKYO: Bridgestone Open tournsment: Leading fourth-round scores (Japanese un-less stated: 276: S Polis. 67, 72, 56, 69; A Yokuyama, 67, 71, 57, 59, 276; N Sertzawa, 68, 71, 70, 57, 277; T Watanabe, 72, 69, 69, 57, 278; T Naismura, 74, 56, 59, 59, 288; B Lane (68), 72, 71, 76, 70,

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BUFFALD, New York: State America: Final positions: New: 1. V Potronico (USSR), 1.5. Foccored piecements: 2. C Bowman (USS, 4.0: 3. T Editado) (US), 4.0. 4. V Zagorodinus, (USSR), 5. S. C Hearth (US), 7.5: 8. P Cardeloro (Pri, 10.5. Wemen: 1. K Yamasuchi (US), 1.5: 2. M. Ho (Jacen), 3.0: 3. T Kwightowshi (US), 4.5: 4. P Nesshe (Ser), 8.0; S Bonely (Pr), 9.0. 8. J Campbell (US), 9.0. Bittisk: 8 Ottarson, British. 17.5. Pairs: 1, M Ersow and A Bushion (USSR), 1.5: 2. R Kovankova and B Novelby (C2), 4.0; 3, M Wolcel and A Resischenbach (Gar), 4.5; 4. N Kuchali and T Sand (US), 5.5: 5 Beal and J-M Somberdier (Can), 8.0. 6. Y Leonova and S Petrovskii (USSR), 8.0. Dance: 1. S Calegori and P Cameringo (I), 2.0; 2. I Sarach and X Debernis: (Pr), 4.4; 3. I Melrachenko and G Kaskov (USSR), 5.6. 4. I Strondelova and M B/Zy (C2), 8.0; 5. M Gracal and A Destami (Pol), 10.0; 6, J Méley and M Vernon (US), 12.0.

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NEWTOWN, Powys: Shell open rativ champjonships Sewardin round (Newtown, Powys, to
Tailord): 1, R Brooks (Nextoesier) and N
Wisson (Chestert, Ford Seporitie, 1-44-03: 2, G
McRele (Larark) and D Ringer (Edenburgh),
Ford Sapphra, 1-44-20: 3, G Middleton
(Strousshree) and P Mits (Wales), Ford
Sapphra, 1-49-57: 4, P Frankland (Darington)
and K Chepchase (Durham), Peugeot 205,
1:51-07: 5, G Jones and E Jones (Wales),
Missobath Galant, 1-51-42; 8, A Wood
(Merose) and D Peterson (Balarno), Ford
Sierra, 1-52-01. Shall British champonephip,
Fixel positions: 1, D Llewettin (Wales),
Toyota, 95-56: 2, C McRae, 82: 3, G
Middleton, Ford Sapphre and BMW MJ, 43: 4,
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Ficher (Lister), BMW MJ, 35; 6, G Evens
(Wales), Ford Sierra, 34.

BRAZE: Men's world chemplonehip: Prelimi-nary round: Group A (Rio de Janeiro): Brazil 3, South Korea 0; Sweden 3, Czechostovskii 2. nary round: Group A (Rio de Janerró): Brazil 3, South Korna 0; Sweden 3, Caencrostovaks 2, Brazil 3, Swaden 2; Czechoslovatou 3, South Korna 2, Standinger 1, Brazil 5, Ses 2, Sweden 3; 5; 3, Czechoslovakia, 4; 4; South Korna, 3, Group 8; Brasket: Canada 3, United Status 1; Argentra 3, Nethericands 6; Argentra 3, United Status 0; Nethericands 6; Argentra 3, United Status 0; Nethericands 6; Argentra 3, United Status 0; Nethericands 6; Argentra 5, Standinger 1, Argentra 6, Eds. 2, Nethericands 5, Standinger 1, Argentra 6, Data 10; France 3, Japan 0; France 5, Japan 0; France 5, Japan 0; Soviet Union, Spt. 2, France 5, Japan 0; Soviet Union, Spt. 2, France 5, Japan 0; Brasket Union 5, Loba 3, Camercon 1; Canada 3, United States 1; Caba 3, Camercon 1; Canada 3, Camercon 0; Bandinger 1, Cuba, Spt. 2, Italy, 5; 3, Bulgaria, 4, 4, Camercon, 3,

LACROSSE BRINE NORTHERN (LEAGUE: First division: Old Waconana 12, Snetheld Stockers 13, Old Szopfordians 2, Mattor 11, Snetheld University 9, Sate 9, Stockport 22, Timperity 8.

RUGBY LEAGUE BARILA NATIONAL INTER-LEAGUE CUP-First round: Cariste 8. Leads 15. Leigh 32, Copeand 4: Menchester 21, St Helens 8: Othern 46. Castleford 20. Leacea-thrie Shield: Custrer-finels: St Helens 45, Swinton 14; Tration 8 B, Sellord 24, Vorkshire Com-petitions: Custrer-finels: Dewishury 12, Battey 16; Hunslet 44, Featherstone R 12. SLALON LAGER ALLIANCE: Second di-visions: Berrow 16, Cariste 32. Berrish COAL TOUR MATCH: Leads 10, Australia 22.

SECOND DIVISION: Barrow 25, Bramley 7: Batley 10, Trafford Borough 2; Chorley 2, Salford 50, Doncester 29, Huddersfeld 20, Hunslet 19, Dewsbury 10; Leigh 56, Nottingham City 6; Runcorn 12, Fullnern 22, Branche Vers 18, Heister 18, Swinten Nottingham 22: Ryedale 22, Cartisle 1

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WELSH SCHOOLS NATIONAL LEAGUE Bryngwyn O, Maes Yr Yrfa 38; Brynteg 36 Ynysawdra 10; Maesteg 47, Pencoed 4 Svarnaac College 67, Gorsetnon College 0; Writtend 20, Tregyo 18. INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Women: Natherlands 0, England 27 WRPU SRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP: Etcn Menor 3, Medway 10.

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BURNOS ARRES: World Lecturer champlonships: First roce leaders: Meet. 1. A
Fernancia [Sp]; 2. J. Velaz, [Arrg]; 3. S
Videktovic (Yug); 4. M Culminto (Fr); 5. G
Rebetto (Br). Womess: 1, P Way (G6); 2. K
Chapin (US); 3. M Keller (Noth); 4. L Butler
(US); 5. W Thomson (US); 6. L Culdberg (Sevo).
Second race leaders: Meet: 1. G Rabello (Br);
2. J Kelveri (Fr), 3. J Velaz, (Arg; 4. A
Fernances (Sp); 5. C Loverson (US); 3. E
Verenances (Sp); 5. C Loverson (US); 3. E
Tropolher (Can); 4. L Butler (US); 5. E Rog
(Sp); Overall leaders (after two races); Hent 1,
A F de Booadins (Sp); 8. Other; 2. J G Velazoo
(Arg); 8.7: 3. G M Rebetto (Br), 10.0: 4, J P
Kelbort (Fr), 18.0: 5. M Quintin (Fr), 21.0: 6. E
Bellot (Fr), 25.7. Whomser 1, P Way (G5); 0.0: 2.
K Chapin (US); 8.0: 3. L Butler (US); 16: 0: 4. E
Trappaner (Fr), 20.7; 5. W Thomson (US), 24.0;
8. J Horgen (Nor), 25.7.

SWIMMING

DUNFERMLINE Monk international Neering: 1990/91 British grand prox First leg: Ment. 400m individual mediey: 1. G. Robins (Portsmouth Northsea), 4mm 31.13sec: 2. I Wisson (Borough of Sunderland), 4316.3. P Blasha (Mercury Wigan Wasps), 4:33.03. 20ths breestrike: 1. M Von Ryan (Neth), 217.55: 2. R Maden (Rockale Aguebaers), 2.17.55: 3. R Delder (Meth), 218.88. 100m batterfly: 1. M Fribbers (Barmet Copthalt), 56.25sec: 2. S Dronsfield (Oddham Meton), 56.84. 3. T hart (Thurnoth), 57.89. 58m breestrate; 1. Har (Copthalt), 152.03; 2. M Moornouse (Copthalt), 152.03; 2. G. Buight (Harnoth), 29.16, 20th freestrate; 1. G. Robins (Portsmouth Northsea), 58.71sec; 2. J Devey (Cay of Leads), 28.70; 3. J McNeal (Managewei and Bearsden), 1:00.39. 60m freestrate; 1. M Wingli (Horny Kong), 23.56sec; 2. R Dekker (Nerth), 23.88. 3. M Fibbons (Barnet Copthal), 23.24. 40m freestrate; 1. Wilson (Borrough of Sunderland), 3:56.00; 2. S Akers (Cny of Leads), 3:58.97; 3. J Broughtion (City of Leads), 4:06.50, 160m individual medieg; 1. R Dekter (Neith), 57.65ec; 2. S Akers (Cny of Leads), 4:06.50, 160m individual medieg; 1. R Dekter (Neith), 57.65ec; 2. A Secreta (URSS), 25.25ec; 2. S Devise (Brackand), 4:54.24; 3. S Page (Mortury Wigan Waspa), 4mm 54.05ee; 2. S Devise (Brackand), 25.72; 100m batterlift; 1. M Scarborough (Portsmouth Northsea), 1:20.29; 50m breastrate; 1. E Vollowa, 1:20.49; 100m batchstroke; 1. S Page (Mercury Wigan Waspa), 4mm 54.05ee; 2. S Devise (Brackand), 25.72; 1. Dome stiff (Portsmouth Northsea), 1:20.59; 1. J 3. J 4:81 (Cumbernaudo, 1:30.59; 2. J 4:80; 1. North (Mingayate and Bearstoon), 26.72; 3. M Aug. 19(1), 20.39; 3. J Jones (Croy of Mercury Wigan Waspa), 4mm 54.09; 20. DUNFERMLINE: Monk International Me

TENNIS HONG KONG: Semi-finois: I Lend: (Cz) bi D Rostagno (US), 6-3, 6-0, M Chang (US) bi D Whealan (US), 7-6, 6-1. ANTWESP: European community champ-lonahip: Semi-finais: H Leconte (Fr) bi S Edbarg (S-an), 7-5, 3-6, 6-0, G Ivansenc (Yug) bi A Mansdorf (Isr.), 1-6, 6-2, 7-6. bt A Mansdori (isr.), 1-6, 6-2, 7-5.
SCOTTSDALE, Arizbas: Arizona Classic Women's tournement Some-finalis: C Manner (Sp) tot M Javer (GS), 6-1, 8-1; M Worder (US) of A Frazzer (US), 5-4, 6-1.
PILDERSTADT, Germany: Powerhe Cup Women's tournement Sensi-finale: M J Fernander (US) of the Malegear (BO), 7-5, 6-0.
B Paulus (Austrie) bit G Sebetini (Arg), 6-3, 6-4.
VENNA: Man's indoor tournament: Second round Singles: Somi-finale: A Juny (Swel) of A Volkov (USSR), 6-2, 7-5, In Stoff (Austria) bit T Musser (Austrie), 6-2, 7-5, In Stoff (Austria) bit J Musser (Austria), 6-2, 7-5, In Stoff (Austria) bit J Musser (Austria), 6-2, 7-6, In Stoff (Austria) bit J Musser (Satis) (GB), 6-1, 6-3
LYONS: Most's indoor tournament: Semi-LYONS: Mon's indoor tournament: Semi-finals: M Rosset (Switz) bt D Pate (US), 6-4, 1-6, 6-4; M Wilander (Swe) bt A Mronz (Ger), 5-2, 7-8. 7-5.
KYOTO, Japan: Bridgestone Japan Worsen's Circuit Tournament: Sem-findle: Simple: K Ractiord (Aun) bt V Kanno (Japan). 5-7 5-4 8-5; R Harati (Japan) bt C Berchy (Aus). 2-5; 5-0. 6-4.

ORIENTEERING PENERAY, Water British national event Ment 1, P James (Southern Navigators, 97min 20sec: 2, S Beck (Southern Navigators, 101-47; 3, M Chapman (Lekeland: 102-50, Women: 1, J Ramadon (Warnor), 73-59, 2, J Cleary (Lekeland, 78-52; 3, M Ockanden (Thamas 1984), 8205.

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Déjà vu as Senna takes title

By JOHN BLUNSDEN

AYRTON Senna yesterday regained the world championship, which he lost to Alain Prost exactly a year ago, in a most unsatisfactory way. In a replay of their controversial accident in the 1989 Japanese grand prix, which handed the title to Prost, the two championship contenders again collided when jostling for the lead, this time in the opening seconds of the Japanese race, Senna's McLaren-Honda and Prost's Ferrari both ending up off the track and out of the

When Gerhard Berger, in the other McLaren-Honda, slid off the track on the same corner on the second lan. Nigel Mansell took over the lead and seemed to have the race comfortably in his pocket. But as he accelerated away after a quick mid-race pit stop for fresh tyres, his Ferrari let him down for the ninth time this season, leaving the way open for a resounding one-two finish for the Benetton-Fords of Nelson Piquet and his new partner, Roberto Moreno, sitting in for the incapacitated Alessandro Nannini

Ironically, it had been Nannini who had benefited last year from the Senna-Prost contretemps, which enabled him to record his only For-

mula One victory.

The seeds of the latest Senna-Prost fracas were sewn when Prost, second on the grid, made the better start from the left side of the track. He was soon alongside and then briefly ahead of Senna's car in the rush to the righthanded first corner. But Senna fought back alongside and held his ground on the right as Prost, still with his nose ahead, moved across on to the narrowing racing line and the two cars collided.

A year ago, Prost had walked back to the pits knowing he was the new world champion. This time, as Senna did so, he knew that the title was once again his, and when he arrived there he insisted that he felt no blame for what had happened. "Prost left the door open so I went for the inside, but there was only room for one car and I couldn't avoid us making contact," he said.

Predictably, Prost put a different interpretation on events. "Anyone who understands motor racing could see Arsenal may lose points

ARSENAL involved in a

brawl for the second time their future conduct last

within a year, are likely to be December after they and Nor-

heavily fined and could face wich City had been found

further punishment. The guilty of misconduct and of

Football Association, which is bringing the game into certain to call for an enquiry disrepute. Norwich, consid-

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grand prix, settling the championship in Senna's favour and fuelling their volatile relationship

it for themselves. He did it deliberately," he said.

With so much at stake, perhaps the problem was predictable, but the chances of it happening would have been lessened if pole position had been on the left, giving a better line into the first corner.

The sad thing about this unnecessary incident is that not only has it resolved the world championship in an unsatisfactory manner, it has almost certainly reopened the long-festering wounds of mistrust between the sport's two most successful drivers.

Jean-Marie Balestre, the

Federation (Fisa) president, said: "It is a scandal that a world championship should be decided on such a collision and I leave everyone to be their own judge of who is to blame. Asked whether Senna could

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be disqualified, Balestre said: "I am the Fisa president, not a judge. Last year, race stewards disqualified Senna because he cut short in a chicane. This time, they told me on the telephone that there were no elements to allow Senna's disqualification."

After Mansell's mid-race

Graham Kelly, the FA's

chief executive, said then that "gang warfare" would not be

tolerated. But further wide-

spread violence soiled a Littlewoods Cup tie between West Ham United and

Wimbledon (both of whom

were subsequently fined

£20,000) and measures have

since been taken to strengthen

the sanctions which can be

Clubs may have points

taken away if they misbehave

during a League fixture or be

withdrawn from cup com-

petitions. Theoretically,

Arsenal, who beat Manchester

United 1-0, could lose the

ground they made up on

Liverpool, whose unblem-

ished record was broken at

• Tottenham Hotspur have

signed a £4 million promotion

deal with Umbro, the

Manchester-based manufac-

turer of sportswear, under

which the players will wear Umbro outfits from the begin-

ning of next season. It has

been reported that an upfront

payment by Umbro might be

used to repay the £1.1 million

owed to Headington Invest-

ments. The Tottenham board

is expected to give a detailed explanation of its financial

position this week.

Match reports,

Norwich on Saturday.

RESULTS FROM SUZUKA Brabham (Aus), Brabham-Judd, 2; 22, G Berger (Austria), McLaren-Honda, 1. Did not start: A Senna (Br), McLaren-Honda; A Prost (Fr), Ferarr S Modens (It), Brabham-Judd, Festest lag: Patrese, 1:44-233 (av speed 202-258igh), World drivers' championality: 1. Senna, 78pts; 2. Prost 69; 3. Berger, 40; 4. Poquet, 35; 5. Boutsen, 32; 6, Mansel, 31; 7, Patrese, 22; 6. A Namini (It), 21; 9, J Aless (Fr), 13; ecual 10, Capelli, Suzula and Moreno, 6; 13. E Bernard (Fr), 5; equal 14, Warwick and S Nakaguria (Japan), 3; equal 16, Modena and Caff, 2; 17, Gugelmin, 1. Constructors' championahip: 1, McLaren-Honda, 118pts; 2, Fernari, 100; 3. Benetton-Ford, 62; 4, Williams-Renaut, 54; 5 Turell-Erryl 18; 6 Errol-Jamusses

, N Piquet (Br), Benetton-Ford, 1hr 34min B.824sec (av speed 196.923kph); 2, R orano (Br), Benetton-Ford, at 7.223sec; A Suzuki (Japan), Espo-Larrousse, at 489; 4, R Pattese (It), Williams-Fernault, 36.258; 5, T Boutsen (Ret. Marc. at 36:256: 5. T Boulsen (Bel), WilliamsRenault, at 46:884. 6. S Nakauma (Japan),
Tymell-Ford, at 1mm 12:350sec; 7, N
Larini (II), Ligler, at 1 lap; 8, P Marini (III),
Minards, at 1; 9. A Cath (III), Arrows-Ford,
at 1; 10, P Allect (Fr), Ligler, at 1. Did not
finish: 11, D Warwick (GB), LotusLamborghini, 38 laps completed: 12, J
Herbert (GB), Lotus-Lamborghini, 31; 13,
M Alboreto (III), Arrows-Ford, 28; 14, N
Mansell (GB), Ferrari, 26: 15, E Pirro (II),
Dallara, 24; E Bermard (Fr), EspoLarrousse, 24; 17, G Morbicell (II),
Minardi, 18; I Capelli (II), Leyton-Judd, 16;
19, A de Cesaris (II), Jellara, 13; 20, M
Gugelmin (Br), Leyton-Judd, 5; 21, D

Arsenal were warned as to

misfortune, it was Piquet and Moreno all the way in a non-stop run made possible by Goodyear's harder B-compound tyres. Aguri Suzuki, of Japan, in his Lola-Lamborghini, delighted the crowd with his run into third place and his first time on a grand prix rostrum.

Derek Warwick and Johnny Herbert, running nose to tail for many laps, both had their Lotus-Lamborghinis up into fifth place at one stage, before having to retire.

Yesterday was probably the richest pay day of Piquet's 12year Formula One career. The triple world champion has been on a bonus system this year which reputedly earns him £50,000 per point. This means an additional income of £450,000 earned at a rate of more than £4,756 per minute.

Moreno, aged 31, had previously scored just one championship point, with AGS in 1987, and this season he had managed to qualify his seconds when I came in for my EuroBrun on only two occasions in 14 attempts. "It has all happened a bit too quickly for me, but I'd like to dedicate this race to Nannini," he said.

Agony of frustration

IT HAS been a very bad Japanese grand prix for Ferrari, and a very, very disappointing race for me personally. Quite frankly, I feel gutted after being robbed of victory here.

For the team, it is the end of the drivers' and constructors' championships and naturally everyone is feeling very low. When you work very hard for something, it is difficult to take defeat.

We should have had the consolation of a win for me in this race. With Alain, Ayrton, and Gerhard all gone, I was in a position to dictate from the front and I was doing just that. I was so comfortable, almost taking it easy. The best way to win is in the slowest possible time, and that is the way I was going to win.

I had a lead of about eight tyre change. With fresh rubber, the plan was to pick up the pace and I am sure I would have caught and taken Nelson, and I understand he has said

Britain's leading Formula One driver and member of the Marlboro drivers' team comments on yesterday's Japanese grand prix

as much.

The pit stop was very good. The crew did a quick, slick job. I accelerated down the pit lane, changed from first to second ... and got nothing. There was no second. I tried third, but there was no third either. There were no gears at all. The transmission was broken and my race was over. I am sure my frustration was evident. I was so dejected.

This would, and should. have been my seventeenth career win, and put me one ahead of Stirling Moss in the I have one more race with all-time list. I still hope to get Ferrari to come, in Australia that seventeenth and more, of and I shall be going all out for course, but when you know that seventeenth win there.

you have something in the palm of your hand and it has been taken away, the experience is sickening. At least I did not have far to walk back to

What happened at the start of the race was all well ahead of me. In fact, I had planned to keep well out of the way. Gerhard, who was alongside me on the grid, made a very quick start and moved across in front of me, so I could not tell what happened with Alain and Ayrton. All I do know is that after the incident the track at the first corner was very slippery for two or three laps. Gerhard was obviously caught out the following lap but I took a little extra care and made sure I did not have any problems. Instead, my problems were to come in the middle of the race.

At times like this you have to look ahead and be positive. I have one more race with

house target at 13 under par.

McLean were one behind with

six holes to play. But by the 14th the Scot had gathered

Miracle touch to a squash

From COLIN MCQUILLAN

LISA Opie and Martine Le Moignan clinched England's fourth successive world squash team title here yes-terday, defeating Australia 2-1 in the closest fought final on record. It was left to Le Moignan,

seven days short of her 28th

birthday, dispossessed of the individual title last weekend and off the court with calf injuries since Tuesday, to secure England's team championship tenure with a magnitiionship tenure with a magnit-cent, fighting, fifth-game victory over Liz Irving in the second-string deciding rubber. Australia began the final well with Michelle Martin beating Suzanne Horner, 9-1.

6-9, 8-10, 9-5, 9-2, at third string in 45 minutes. But Opie equalised matters with a stun-ning 9-4, 6-9, 9-6, 9-5 perfor-mance against Danielle Drady at first string to set up Le Moignan's heroic 2-9, 9-7, 7-9, 9-3, 9-3 decider. "It was the most thrilling team final I have seen," Alex

Cowie, the England team manager, said. "I thought Suzanne would have won also, but she developed breathing problems in the hot conditions leading 2-1 and 4-1 in the fourth game. Certainly Horner, aged 26,

had appeared to be flowing to victory at 7-1 in the third after a slow start, but she struggled through five game balls to win that game 10-8 then subsided after the first five points of the next game.

The Australians were delighted with the aggressive start. They had begun the day contentiously, protesting at England team order, suggesting that Le Moignan, after five days out with injury, was included illegally to strengthen England's thirdstring chances. The international adjudication panel threw that out when Cowic produced a statement of Le Moignan's fitness from a chiropractor recommended by the Australians themselves. Peter Grozdecky, a Ca-

nadian practising in Sydney, traced Le Moignan's lest leg problems to minor spinal displacement. He also treated Opic for leg and groin stiff-'God' for short," Opic said. "He is a real miracle man. He has made different women of

Grozdecky's English involvement was not the only Australian tactical error. He was also treating Robyn Lambourne, the Australian first string, for groin strain and later declared her to be closer to match readiness than Le

The Australian management team, Margaret Zacharia and Vicki Cardwell, preferred not to risk Lambourne, how-At that stage, both Brand and ever. They rejected the option of playing Drady and Irving lower in the order knowing Opie was plainly a banker at two more birdies to take a first string on the form she showed beating Susan Devoy. of New Zealand, the new

> plined concentration and some flair against Opic, whom court play to better effect. Irving started with measured brilliance, but ran out of steam as Le Moignan found her feet

Bond's licence to thrill

By Steve Acteson WHATEVER else Nigel Bond was capable of conjuring up against the world champion, Stephen Hendry, last night in the final session of the Rothmans grand prix final in Reading, he had already done enough to underline the words of his beaten semi-final opponent, Jimmy White, who said: "This guy is here to stay."

Bond, ranked 38th in the world, who had beaten White 9-8 on the final black of their epic encounter on Saturday. fell 3-0 behind to Hendry in only 45 minutes. The second season professional, from Darley Dale in Derbyshire, then embarked upon an incredible five-frame winning spell to end the afternoon two frames clear with the world No. 1, looking temporarily second rate. Bond's sublime total clearance of 139 in the sixth frame broughtthe capacity crowd of 1,200 at the

Hexagon Theatre to its feet. When Hendry's skittish crack at a red opened the pack. Bond left him scoreless for the third time in four frames with a break of 85, and although Hendry led 33-0 in the eighth frame, he eventually lost that

one too.
RESULTS: Send-fleak S Hendry (Scot) bt
S James (Eng). 9-5: N Bond (Eng) bt J
White (Eng). 9-8: Flenk Bond (ed Hendry,
5-3: Frame scores (Hendry first: 81-15,
82-8, 64-63, 0-108, 2-80, 0-139, 0-86, 4378.

Dogged persistence makes a champion out of McLean

From a Special Correspondent in Quinta do Lago MICHAEL McLean stepped For a player who lost his enough to wreck the nerve of

achievement. His fortunes

His improvement to 83rd

place this year had been

steady, but he was still relying.

largely on his sponsor, the

fessionals and more

champion.

money list last season.

victory was an outstanding the closing stages.

out of the chorus line into the tour card in 1987 and has any hardened professional, European Tour limelight several times seriously consid- but the boyish McLean when he won the Portuguese ered leaving the game, this proved the strongest man in Open here yesterday.

A one-stroke victory over Gordon Brand Jr and the PGA had slumped so disastrously champion. Mike Harwood, that he finished 154th in the eave McLean aged 27, from Kent, his first major success after he had returned a closing 71 for a 14-under-par 274. Mark James and Paul Broadhurst tied for fourth place after both shot 69 for

McLean now rejoices in the title of tournament players champion, an honour that for the last five years had been beyond his wildest dreams. It gives him a five-year exemption on the European circuit

prize, he has also gained a place in this week's Volvo Masters Tour finale at two Ryder Cup teams and winner of eight titles. It was LEADING FINAL SCORES

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274: M McLean, 69, 69, 65, 71, 275: M
Harwood (Aus.), 70, 68, 71, 68; G Brand, Ir,
58, 70, 68, 69, 276; M James, 69, 69, 70;
69; P Broadhurst, 70, 69, 69, 69, 277: FI
Hartmann (US), 68, 69, 73, 69; O Selberg
(Swe), 67, 68, 70, 72, 278: M Proxon, 73,
68, 69, 68, 69 D Williams, 72, 69, 69, 62, 278:
S Bernett, 73, 69, 70, 67; J Cuiros (Sol.,
72, 68, 69, 71, 280: S Rucherdson, 67, 74,
72, 67, 68, 71, 280: S Rucherdson, 67, 74,
72, 67, 68, 69, 71, 69, 70, 77, 71, 68; M
McNutty (Zim), 72, 68, 69, 71; G Turner,
67, 73, 69, 71; M Persson (Swe), 64, 67,
75, 74, 281: E Darcy, 72, 68, 72, 69; P
Milchell, 72, 70, 70, 69; M Lanner (Swe),
72, 72, 68, 69, 3 Spence, 71, 68, 72, 70; 8 GB and treland unless stated

Barnes, 75, 65, 71, 70; P. Teravainan, (US), 71, 89, 70, 71; C Masson, 69, 89; 73, 71, 282; I Mosey, 69; 75, 70, 68; M Moreno (Sp), 71, 74, 69, 68; G Leverson (SA), 71, 71, 70, 70; No A Forestrand (Swe), 69, 66, 73, 74; J Haeggman (Swe), 69, 66, 73, 74; 283; E Romero (Arg), 73, 72, 68, 70; R Chepman, 74, 71, 68, 70; K Dickers, 73, 68, 71, 71; D Synth, 70, 71, 71; T Sitsphen, 71, 73, 57, 72, 284; M Moulead, 73, 68, 73, 70; M Krantz (Swe), 72, 70, 71; 71; C C'Connor & 71; 74, 86, 73, 285; V Singh (Fig. 75, 70, 73, 67; R McFarlane, 71, 74, 70, 70, 70, 70; 60 (Aus), 70, 71, 73, 71; J Furledge (Can), 72, 70, 72, 71; B Marchberk, 73, 70, 71; J Bland (SA), 73, 70, 70, 72; R Steiten (US), 69, 71, 71, 74; A Bineghi (II), 68, 76, 67, 74.

Crawley insurance broker, Bernard Warren, until a third one-shot advantage. However, his putting had let him down round 65 on the Algarve took at crucial moments in earlier him out of the pack. In rounds and it did so again yesterday's frenetic finale, he when he three-putted the 16th. proved to his fellow pro-McLean effectively won the title when his 100-yard wedge portantly to himself that he had what it takes to be a shot finished 15 inches from

the 17th flag for the birdie four that put him alongside the vastly experienced Scot. McLean made no mistake at the last, but Brand Jr again three-putted, failing from five

feet, to hand the title to McLean, who was overcome with emotion. "It will take a long while for this to sink in." he said. "Many times I have considered quitting because I did not think I was good esough. I told my france, Vicky Barrett, that I was going to pack it in. But she told me to get back onto the practice ground and keep trying, and she was right."

Moignan. Harwood, champion two years ago, fired seven birdies in 16 holes to set the club-

world champion, in the team semi-finals.

Drady played with discishe has never beaten, and might well have exploited Opie's early tentative frontand began to strike the ball with ferocious intent.

with ferocious intent.
RESIRTS: Final England 2, Australia 1 (L. Opie bt D'Brady, 9-4, 6-9, 9-6, 9-5, Miley Moignan bt L. Irwing, 2-6, 9-7, 7-9, 9-3, 9-8; S Homer lost to M Martin, 1-9, 9-6, 10-9, 5-9, 2-9). Final place play-offs (b. descarding order): New Zesland 3, Germany 0; Irriand 3, Fireand 3 (Best bt 1 Myllyniam), 9-2, 9-7, 2-9, 9-8, M Croke bt N Tamisho, 7-9, 9-6, 7-9, 10-9, 10-8; B Consay bt M Singro, 5-9, 9-7, 9-2, 9-6; Netberfords 2, Canada 1; France 2, United States 1; Scotland 2, Switzerland 1 (A Bowel lost to M Donatsch, 9-10, 8-4, 2-9, 5-9; S Brown bt 8 Hartman, 9-3, 9-5, 9-5, J Nicol bt B Basschmann, 9-3, 9-3, 9-3; Singapore 2, Hong Kong 1; Swoden 3, Malaysia 0; Span 3, Papus New Guinea 0.

New salutes to the memory of 'the Champion'

TONIGHT, the eve of the 75th anniversary of his death, W.G. will be lauded again at a commemorative service in south London. There can be few alive who saw him play, and yet the initials are identifiable as few others are. Dr William Gilbert Grace was as renowned a Victorian as the Prince of Wales or Mr Giadstone.

When he died, through fright during a zeppelin attack in the first world war, it was said that "the most wonderful chapter in the whole history of sport is closed."

Through his achievements and his personality, cricket was woven into the popular life of England. When his grave in Elmers End was in disrepair in the 1960s, indignant letters were fired off to national newspapers and The Cricketer, It has been restored and, tomorrow afternoon, a wreath in MCC colours will be laid by the Bishop of

IVO TENNANT explains why fresh tributes are being paid to one of cricket's immortals

Some 40 books have been written about this compelling champion whose dominance, prowess and personality were unique. His figures, 54,896 runs, 2,876 wickets and 871 catches, were not unassailable, but they were remarkable for the times. With his great frame, alert eyes, bushy beard, MCC cap and brown cricket shoes, he was, and remains, instantly recognisable.

Tonight, in St George's Church, Beckenham, close to his grave, a poem written by Frederick Healy to commemorate this anniversary will

"In cricket history no one matched W G The title of champion his for ever

Put on a pedestal high by Mac-Laren, Ranji and Fry Each one a giant in the age of

That is how it begins. Doubtless there will be another to follow for the hundredth anniversary. Healy himself did not know W.G. Indeed there is perhaps only one person still alive who did: Mrs Primrose Worthington, now 85 and living in Hampshire. She is his grand-

In her holidays from Sherborne School for Girls — where she played in the cricket XI - she often went to W.G.'s capacious house at Mottingham, now an old people's home. To her family, W.G. was known as "Gibby", after his second

"There was a big lawn where we played not cricket but croquet and clock golf," she recalls. "An orchard was next to it where he had a

greenhouse. The question I am always asked about him is: Did he have a squeaky voice? That was. what all the books said. What I remember more clearly was plaiting. his beard and tying it up with ribbon. He was great fun."

The Grace family mostly resides now in Fulham, where they have founded a cricket team called the Fulham Farmers. "There is a very strong male line," Mrs. Hamish Grace, widow of W.G.'s great grandson, said. "But my husband. found his name a burden when he played cricket so he gave up the game and turned to fencing. Our five sons were similarly affected when at school. They are good. cricketers, but no one can match W.G.'s talent.

People have fond memories of him, but say he was not much of a

particularly rich man and could not have afforded to tour Australia had he not been sponsored," she said.

At the service tonight, there will be readings by Lt Colonel John Stephenson, the secretary of MCC, and by Tony Wright, captain of Gloucestershire, W.G.'s old county Christopher Martin-Jenkins, editor of The Cricketer, will recount in his address an occasion when W.G. attempted to fox an umpire.

Bowled first ball before an expectant crowd which had come to see him bat, he swiftly replaced the bails. "A bit windy today, umpire," he declaimed. "Mind it don't blow your hat off on your way back to the pavilion." was the retort of officialdom. On this occasion, at any rate. the Doctor had to go.

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